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Campus continues to improve

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Well, by now you have noticed that a few key spots around campus have undergone some major changes. Mansfield is catapulting itself into modern times with a new and improved modern image.

Renovations around campus have been going on for a couple years now, and things are looking good. The biggest renovation that students might be noticing at meal time is Manser Dining Hall. Over the summer the Mountie Den had some serious remodeling done, taking the 80's look of yesterday and giving it the look and style of the 21st century. The Den is one of the campus' most trafficked areas as well as a key hangout areas for students.

One of the biggest benefits with the new face of the Den is that there is much more seating than last year, which is a good thing for those of you who remember the fight for tables last year.

The upstairs dining hall has also spread out a bit to offer more seating to students. With South Side moved downstairs and put into combo-style dining with the Den, the Main Dining Hall has brought South Side seating in with its own.

The dining service is working hard to offer a wider variety of choices for students, many of which you can see in the Den. Pete's Pizzeria, the Sub Connection, The Sky Grill, the Mansfield Market and a soup and bagel station give students a lot

of food choices.

The Gallery is now in the Den. At this point it offers a little selection, due to the fact that its inventory is based on what students bought in previous years. "As we see what stu-

dents purchase, or request we will work on getting more products to offer," said director of food services Scott Cummings.

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A colorful new dining area awaits Mansfield students.

Shari Clarke brings changes to MU

By HILLARY GRUMBINE

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Dr. Shari Clarke is a new face on campus, one that always seems to have a smile on it and exudes excitement. As Vice President of Student Affairs, Clarke has been making some serious headway within the last six weeks.

After starting her job on June 9, Clarke has been hard at work trying to make Mansfield University a better place for everyone. With her extensive background working previously in universities like University of Maine, Whitman College and the University of Nebraska, Clarke believes in creating a strong base between campus and community. She brings with her a great knowledge and experience with diversity, gender equity and leadership. Not only is she experienced with that, she's also a creative person.

"I'm creative and I don't see barriers. My creativity absolutely knows no bounds," Clarke said.

Her creativity is what seems to be catching everyone's eye lately. Since coming here, she's made sure that all businesses in Mansfield have MU flags. These businesses have been asked to hang the flags on Spirit Fridays, which are every Friday before home games. Clarke and her staff want everyone on campus to be involved. On Spirit Fridays they're

asking everyone to wear red and black or Mansfield gear that can be purchased at the book store.

That is one of the newest things that Clarke has been involved with. Also, there have been numerous moves with the staff. Jody Hare is now Director of Student Organizations, Leadership and Greek Affairs. She has offices in the HUB now which was formerly Alumni Hall. Annie Cooper is now in the Martin Luther King Center and is working with under represented students.

The Hut is now entirely under the supervision of Clarence Crisp. The changes have been made to give more to the students and make sure they are getting the most out of their time here at MU. Mike Lemasters has also taken on more duties and Clarke is very thankful for that.

"He's my right hand man," she said.

Clarke is also putting together

an advisory committee that won't deal with policy but with campus issues. She also has an idea for student ambassadors in the works. These ambassadors would try to get people excited and interested in Mansfield. Also, Clarke is in the process of finalizing a mission statement for Student Affairs.

A normal day in Clarke's office requires listening.

"Being Vice President of Student Affairs means listening: listening to students, lots of meetings and representing the university."

Student Affairs has a lot planned for this semester and they're really redefining themselves.

"We like to define ourselves as 'reenergized.'" Clarke said. They have a new motto these days which is "Student Affairs-Leadership through involvement."

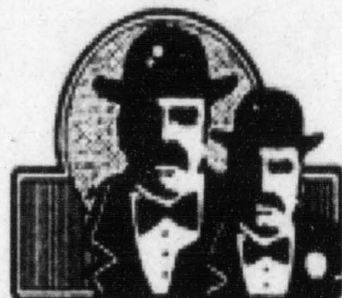
All that work in six weeks is quite an accomplishment, truly setting the bar for excellence in her position.



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★ The Mansfield Chamber of Commerce is now in association with Trailways Bussing. Bus tickets are no longer purchased at Travel World, but may be purchased at the Chamber Office, located at 51B South Main Street between Mark's Brother's and the Guthrie Clinic. The bus will no longer be stopping at Wal-Mart, but will be picking up passengers directly in front of the Chamber Office. Office hours are 11-3, Monday through Friday. For further questions, feel free to contact the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce at 662-3442.

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Show me the Greeks: What's happening with Greek Life on campus

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

While strolling the streets of Mansfield you might notice that a lot of the houses that once had Greek letters on display in the front yard are no more. But, have no fear, this doesn't mean that Greek Life at Mansfield University has vanished.

Greek organizations are currently undergoing a lot of changes, but they are still going strong. Despite the loss of a couple houses, all fraternities and sororities except Lambda Chi Alpha remain active at Mansfield as well as on the national register.

A major housing change for three sororities on campus begins this semester. The sororities that used to live in Laurel B have moved to Pinecrest. Although the move was first set due to the renovation of Laurel B, these sorority sisters plan to make Pinecrest their permanent home for years to come. This move marks the first time in 30 years that these 3 sororities have lived in a co-ed dorm.

Due to many fraternities and sororities being centralized on campus, you will be seeing many more

activities in action on campus. Meetings, functions, and special activities held by Greek organizations will be held at the Hub. The Hub will also hold display cases for the Greek organizations.

There is another big change for Greek Life this year. "For the first time in 21 years we are able to recruit first semester freshmen. We will look at the students' high school transcripts to see if they are eligible. If the student makes it into the fraternity or sorority of their choice but does not continue to meet the 2.0 Q.P.A. requirement, they will be suspended," Jody Hare, head of Greek Life, said.

This year's changes open the door of Greek Life to a lot of interested people. Recruitment week will take place September 8 through September 12.

During Recruitment week open houses are held at the Hub for all interested parties to meet all of the fraternities and sororities on campus. "Events like this are held so students can make an educated decision when choosing which fraternity or sorority he or she wishes to be affiliated with," Hare said.

Virus cripples university network

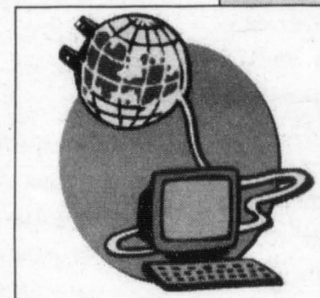
The Blaster Worm virus was introduced into the Mansfield campus network from inside the firewall by returning students on Thursday.

The Blaster Worm is affecting computers running Windows XP and Windows 2000. Computers loaded with Windows '95, '98 and ME are safe.

Information Technology became aware of the problem and immediately began fixing it on Friday.

The residence halls are expected to be up and running sometime next week, possibly as early as Monday. Each student living on campus is asked to turn on their computer by 8 a.m. Monday morning because IT needs to scan the entire system to make sure the network is free of the virus. If you do not have your computer on, the scan cannot be completed and a connection to the Internet will not open.

Students with questions or concerns should contact IT for further information at ext. 4357.



For protection against and removal of the Blaster Worm on Windows XP

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| <p>* Make sure the computer is not plugged into the network (Just unplug the Ethernet cable from the wall)</p> <p>* Turn off system restore:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Click Start-> Programs-> Accessories-> System Tools -> System Restore 2. When the System Restore Window comes up, click the System Restore tab, then check the box labeled | <p>'Turn Off System Restore.'</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Click OK 4. Click Yes to verify that you want to turn off System Restore 5. Insert the Dornlink CD into the CD-ROM Drive. 6. Browse to the CD-ROM Drive by clicking on My Computer. 7. Open the "Stinger" application. 8. Click the "Scan Now" button to begin scanning for the virus. 9. After the scan has completed, if | <p>you are prompted to restart the computer, do so.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Open the "WinXP Patch" folder 11. Launch the Patch and follow the on-screen instructions, then wait for patch to install. <p>* When the patch has completed installation, REBOOT THE MACHINE.</p> <p>* Once all of these steps have been completed, then and only then, you may plug back in.</p> |
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State-wide strike a possibility

By SARAH STOERMER

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Mansfield University, on strike? Well, it is a possibility. Since July 1, 5,500 teachers throughout the state of PA have been working without contract. The Association of Pennsylvania State College and University faculties have met with negotiators for the State System of Higher Education several times, but little progress has been made.

On August 8, negotiators for both sides met in an effort to bring the contract dispute to a close. The discussion went on for several hours. However, despite efforts made by those involved, *The Sunday Times* (Scranton) ran an article in the August 10 issue, quoting a frustrated Kenn Marshall, spokesperson for the State System of Higher Education, as saying, "We don't appear to be any closer to a settlement than when we started."

Kevin Kodish, a spokesman for the

Association of Pennsylvania State College and University faculties, was also quoted, singing a more positive tune.

"I think the fact that we stayed here as late as we did...shows no one was in a hurry to leave and they were trying to make some progress," Kodish said.

The state system has offered a two year deal that would freeze wages, require co-payment for health benefits, and eliminate tuition waivers for the families of faculty to attend system universities.

The faculty union is asking for a three year contract with salary increases of two percent the first year, 3.25 percent the second year and an additional three percent the third year.

The faculty union announced plans to meet in September to consider approving a strike authorization, a scary thought for thousands of students who have placed their money in and entrusted their education to the state wide system of higher learning.

Fourteen state owned schools in

Pennsylvania are involved in the matter, but classes will begin on time. The problem for students is that there is no guarantee that classes will continue uninterrupted through the semester.

"The University will do all that they can to ensure that classes continue as scheduled," said Steve Bronn, Vice President of Financial Affairs, at MU. "We cannot pinpoint exactly what will happen, but there are several more warning signs that must occur in order for a strike to be in action such as, mediation failure and a vote to strike to be passed by the union."

So, although there is a possibility of a strike, it is a very remote possibility. Both sides of this are aware that a strike would not be in the best interest of the students."



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What in the world

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

National News

West Virginia authorities are sifting through leads in search of a sniper. Three victims were gunned down in a style that mimicked the sniper killings that terrorized Virginia, Maryland, and Washington D.C. last fall.

The first victim was gunned down Monday while talking on a pay telephone outside of a Charleston Go-Mart. Jeanie Patton, 31, and Okey Meadows Jr., 26, both from Campbells Creek were killed within 90 minutes of each other and 10 miles apart on Thursday.

Due to similarity between these sniper attacks and last years sniper attacks, authorities in West Virginia are working with Montgomery County, Md. investigators who are giving West Virginia officials advice on how to organize their investigation, deal with the shootings, and with the media.

At this point, police are looking for a maroon full size pick-up truck, of which photos of a similar styled truck have been released.

President Bush spoke Tuesday saying that the pending legislation in Congress is able to be reworked to include the sort of electricity transmission problems highlighted by last week's major blackout. Bush believes at this point that

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While the Den will be open to students, there are still a few final touches being added. Official menus have not yet been posted but this is something easy to work around for the time being.

Raised meal equivalency and more options will be sure to keep the students happy. So, be sure to stop in and see the changes that have been made. "This is more than a plan, it is a concept, for better dining," said Cummings.

The dorms are also being remodeled. Laurel B is currently shut down for remodeling, sending its residents so temporarily take on housing in other dorms or in Laurel A side. 2 years ago Laurel had a new kitchen put in as well as a few fancy additions to the main lobby, including a fireplace and

differences involving the energy bill will be resolved in the next couple of weeks and the new and improved plan should be up and running within three weeks.

World News

AFGHANISTAN- Despite heavy security independence day celebrations in Kabul went sour Tuesday when they were marred by new attacks on aid workers and security forces. An explosion also tore through the home of President Hamid Karzai's brother.

On Monday, nine policemen were ambushed and killed by a dozen suspected Taliban insurgents about 60 miles south of Kabul.

The explosion at the home of the president's brother was deemed an accident. Supposedly, caused by a servant who moved some munitions and explosives confiscated in an earlier security raid.

IRAQ- Former Iraqi vice president, Taha Yassin Ramadan, 65, was turned over to U.S. forces in Mosul on Tuesday. Ramadan was captured by Kurdish fighters in northern Iraq. He was considered Iraq's second most powerful man and was known for his ruthlessness. Ramadan was No. 20 on the U.S. most-wanted list of former regime figures.

Information taken from Yahoo! News

window seats.

Maple has currently been redone. Its study lounges, bright lighting, and steel clad bathrooms help give the dorms a push towards the future.

On the other parts of campus, you will find that Belknap and Retan have been refaced in recent years. But most recently Grant Science Center, has been cleaned up and remodeled over the summer. The new science labs will offer state of the art opportunities to students.

So, as Mansfield rebuilds, keep your eyes on what is coming next. It is time that a university with one of the most technologically advanced libraries in the world, lets that attribute filter into every aspect of the campus. Mansfield is stepping up to modern times.



MU recycling begins on campus this semester

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Mansfield University is being sponsored by Northern Tier Waste Disposal in an effort to create a strong recycling program, kicking off this semester, here at Mansfield.

As this semester begins, so does an effort to save our environment. Students, you may notice a little something extra in your classrooms and on each floor of the dormitories this semester; green bins are being placed in these areas to be used for recycling aluminum cans and plastic bottles.

Northern Tier Waste Disposal will then pick up the collection of cans and bottles and take them back to their processing center where they will then be cleaned and bailed to be sent off to other companies to be made into new products.

In this particular case the aluminum cans sent to the waste disposal company will be sent to Anheiser-Bush to be made into, more cans. And plastic bottles are sent off to be made into carpet, by a company named Mohawk Carpet.

Mike Lemasters, head of residence life and Bill Koerning, head of maintenance, at Mansfield University have been working with Lori Robson, recycling coordinator

for Northern Tier Waste Disposal to re-energize the recycling program on campus as well as educate about the importance of recycling.

There are several reasons people should recycle. First and foremost, by recycling you are saving natural resources. Second, you are saving energy. Did you know that 1 aluminum can saves enough energy to watch television or play video games for 3 hours? Wow; huh? And finally, by reusing materials we are saving landfill space, which is growing more and more valuable as time goes on and population increases.

"We need to take care of the environment today, so it's better for tomorrow. It is important to get involved," said Robson.

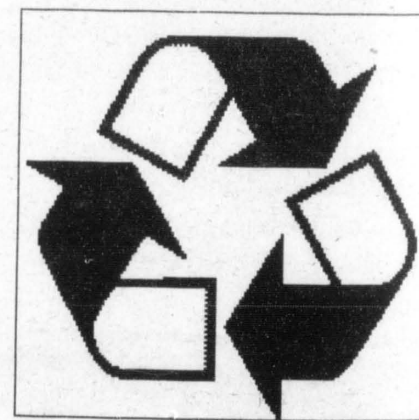
Not only is it important to get involved, it's easy. All students and faculty have to do is keep an eye out for those green bins and drop off their empty cans and bottles. In order for an item to be used it must be empty and have its lid removed. "If it is not topless, it's trash," says Robson.

Of course, what good is recycling if nobody purchases stuff made from recycled products? Well, hey its still saving landfill space, but realistically for the effort to save the environment one bottle at a time to work, somebody has to

purchase the results. Which is not as hard as you may think. Most of you already have soda cans in your refrigerators made from other cans, and for all you know last weeks water jug might be part of your brand new carpet. But, while you shop around for school supplies this semester...take a little time to see if the new notebook you are purchasing is made from recycled paper.

So gang, it is simple, recycle and buy things made from recycled products. And with a little effort, we can keep this planet healthy for the generations to come.

For more information, you may stop by the Northern Tier Waste Disposal table at the Activities Fair on August 25, 2003. The volunteers running the table will be handing out free mouse pads with a built in note pad, all made from recycled products.



Pentagon gives statement, calls captor claims 'bogus'

By HILLARY GRUMBINE

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Early Friday morning rumors of two kidnapped United States soldiers bombarded news stations everywhere. After much speculation, the Pentagon released a statement calling the claims "bogus."

Lebanese television stations said that two soldiers had been captured and they released names as well as one soldier's alleged military identification and driver's license. According to Lebanese reports the two soldiers had been taken during

an attack on a convoy outside of Baghdad. The U.S. soldiers were allegedly captured due to injuries that hindered them during the ensuing battle.

"Al-Madina Al-Munawara" Division was the name of these, supposed, terrorist kidnappers. This group is also known as "The Holy Madina."

This news travelled to US stations quickly, creating numerous questions.

One of the biggest questions was what had happened to the rest of

these soldiers' convoy?

There were rumors that these kidnappers could be Saddam's old Republican Guard because the captors were in a very "pro Saddam area."

Shortly thereafter, the Pentagon released its statement that all US soldiers in that area and in convoys had been accounted for and that the story of kidnapped soldiers was indeed a hoax.

Information taken from MSNBC.

Campus vocal group seeks new members

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

Looking for a new sound on campus?

Then look no further than the Ellison Collection, an all-male a capella group that's been wowing audiences around MU since 2001. This seven-member ensemble mixes traditional style and contemporary music, performing all selections without any instruments - just their own voices.

The Ellison Collection was founded two years ago by nine music majors with a mission: to break away from the classic "barbershop" style and give their music a different sound than other MU-sanctioned ensembles. The group is entirely student-run, although individual offices exist within its membership.

In the upcoming weeks, the Ellison Collection will be holding auditions for new members. Although they'd like to expand the size of the group, the men agree that how many singers they allow into the Collection depends entirely on the quality of the men who audition. Currently, there is one singer on each of the male voice parts: Tenor I, Tenor II, Bass I and Bass II, with one singer on vocal percussion, one on lead vocals, and another filling in where he is needed.

Even though the current members are all music majors, Public Relations director Steve Miller emphasizes that the group is looking to expand its membership to other majors. "We're a music group, but we're not affiliated with the music department. We definitely welcome non-music majors, which will

and willing to work as a team. The group rehearses three hours a week, and rehearsal times are planned around the members' schedules.

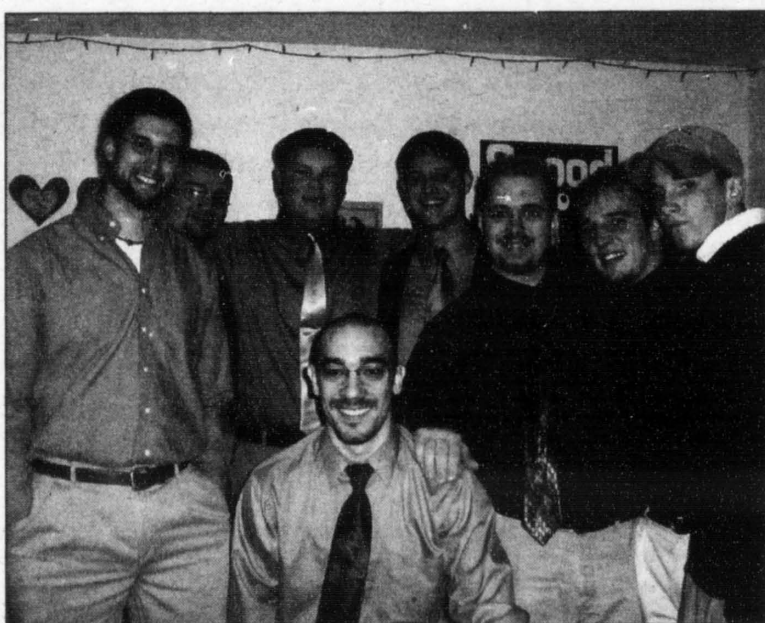
The group has toured the Harrisburg area, performing at high schools, and is looking to tour the Rochester area this semester, as well as completing work on their first CD, which was begun last semester. They are also planning to audition this Fall for an intercollegiate a capella competition to be held next Spring.

All the music the group performs is arranged by its members. They've performed such songs as

Hoo-bastank's "Running Away," Vertical Horizon's "You're a God," Chris DeBurgh's "Lady in Red," and Jimmy Eat World's "Hear You Me," among many others.

Keep your eyes and ears open for the Ellison Collection's performance on the South Hall Mall next week, and learn more about the group and their upcoming auditions at www.geocities.com/theellisoncollection.

And, just a word of encouragement for anyone who's considering auditioning: as Ray Weatherell, Music Director, said, "Chicks dig guys who can sing."



WWW.GEOCITIES.COM/THEELLISONCOLLECTION

The Ellison Collection is, left to right: Chris Pickering, Josh Laubach, Dave Porter, Brandon Bitner, Mikael Hamilton, Steve Miller, Ryan Harvey and Ray Weatherell.

hopefully bring a different sound and enthusiasm to our music," he said.

Any musician wishing to be a part of the Ellison Collection will have to meet a few simple guidelines. First and foremost, he must be able to carry a tune, both alone and with the group. He must also be able to sight-read ("But not perfectly," Miller pointed out) both alone and with the group. He should also be confident with performing in front of crowds

SGA Update: Welcome back!

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

On behalf of Mansfield University's Student Government Association, I would like to welcome everyone back to campus. For those new freshmen, welcome to Mansfield! As usual, the summer seems to have flown by, and the time for athletics, studying, and organizational meetings is upon us.

The Student Government Association (SGA) exists for one purpose, and that is to act as a voice for the nearly 3400 students here at Mansfield.

Under the direction of last year's SGA president Maria Trego, SGA had one of its most successful years on record. We dealt with several issues, including a safety walk of the campus, which led to the installation of lighting in areas of the campus that had become a safety problem. We also worked hard to lobby the State System of Higher

Education in Harrisburg on a number of issues relevant to Mansfield's student body.

Under the direction of our new SGA president Jeffrey Howe, the 2003-04 academic year should be even better.

I urge everyone (students and faculty alike) to attend our weekly meetings to offer support or lend your voice to an issue that may be near and dear to your heart. The meetings take place on Monday evenings at 9:15 in the Alumni Hall Student Center, 3rd floor mini-conference room #317 across from the SGA office (#319). Feel free to drop by and pay us a visit. Student input is a valuable asset in helping us do our job, and we'd love to see you!

Once again, welcome back, and on behalf of SGA's President Jeff Howe, executive board, and senators, we hope you have a safe and prosperous year!

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Campus warns students against file sharing

By HEATHER OISTER

Flashlight Features Co-Editor

It's quick and easy. With little more than the click of a mouse, any student can become a felon.

The Recording Industry Association of America is issuing subpoenas to college students nationwide. In one lawsuit being brought up, the punishment requested is \$150,000 per song the student possesses on their computer.

So, what does all this mean for Mansfield University students?

Connie Beckman, Director of Information Technology, said, "Our stand is: we prefer to educate our citizens."

The downloading and sharing of music online is a violation of the law due to its infringement on the recording's copyright.

"It isn't IT's place to tell you you shouldn't do it," Beckman said. Mansfield is "a small school and we tend to treat our citizens as adults."

The university has the role of the go between when it comes to the RIAA and any student. Beckman said she would "protect students

to the extent that they are abiding by the law." She did note, though, that she is obligated by the law to report anyone who is not abiding by the rules.

As of now, the RIAA has cited seven students from Mansfield. Those students have been notified and warned. No further requests for action have been made by the RIAA on the matter.

Beckman said, "Some students get in over their heads and don't even realize it." Some do not see it as illegal. Others fall victim to their downloading program, not fully understanding that they are now providing the song they just downloaded to millions of other internet users.

Beckman warns all students that there is no anonymity in the network world. Online downloading criminals can be tracked. Every network user has an IP address. Using this IP address, the university can simply track down the computer's location to determine who is the guilty student.

Another new addition this year to help protect against online

piracy is a new NetReg program. Each student will register with the program as soon as they sign onto the internet. This way, IT can more easily identify the student causing problems.

Besides legal issues, downloading also causes problems for the university's network in that it ties up space created for educational purposes.

Each building has a set amount of bandwidth allocated to it. When an excess amount of downloading occurs, the bandwidth drops and Internet access is slowed down. Therefore, everyone in the building's connection is diminished.

"We will limit access to protect the academic environment," Beckman said.

For those who are still involved in downloading, Beckman's advice is to stop downloading and to uninstall downloading programs from your computer. This way, there is no question on whether or not you are breaking the law.

Incoming freshman will be educated on the matter in their UNV 100 classes.



★ Andrew W.K.'s album, *The Wolf*, is out September 9. Everyone buy it for me.

★ My favorite album of the summer was Vendetta Red's *Between the Never and the Now*. I think that's the title. I'm too lazy to go check my cd cases to make sure it is right. It looks right to me.

★ I worked maintenance at the school this summer, and I just wanted to let you know that a lot of you are very dirty people. Your microfridges made me throw up. Also, if you are looking to paint your own room, just stop right now and send me an email at leejp@mnsfld.edu, and I'll do it for you for cheap. Too many of you don't know how to paint, so I'll do a good, quick job for you. I'd give my number, too, but I don't know it.

★ Audioslave is still one of the worst bands ever. When I saw their latest video I got excited because they were in a car crash, but then I realized it was just a video and not live footage.

★ Blender Magazine named Insane Clown Posse the worst band of all time. Before all you juggalo idiots go crazy, I'll say I have to disagree because Slipknot is worse. I.C.P. is number two. Somewhere in there are Audioslave, Rush, Marilyn Manson, and, well, this just isn't worth wasting brain cells over because crap bands will always be crap bands no matter how many people buy into their gimmick.

★ Quick Political Rant: Openly Gay Bishop issue in the Episcopal Church:

Dear People opposing this man's appointment, including the Pope, While I recognize you feel like you are defending the essential elements of the Church, in truth you are defending the right to hate. I have heard too many arguments that reek of hatred slickly cloaked with a self-righteousness and pretentious love of Jesus Christ and God. The issue here is not the word of God because I've read the Bible and I know the line you will quote to say this is all wrong, but I've also read all of Jesus' speeches, and, well, frankly, he never once mentions this issue, even though I'm sure you all will tell me that it is there. Instead, the issue that exists is an inability to "love thy neighbor." Get over it, the world will continue, except of course, if we decide that a gay man is worse than the nuclear bombs North Korea is making.

Campus Voices

Question: What advice do you have for freshmen?



"Get involved as much as possible. By getting involved you find new interests and make new friends along the way."

Kelly Ann Murray
Broadcasting Major



"Meet your neighbors and get to know your floor. Make new friends it will make your stay at Mansfield much more enjoyable."

Becky Kelsall
Broadcasting Major



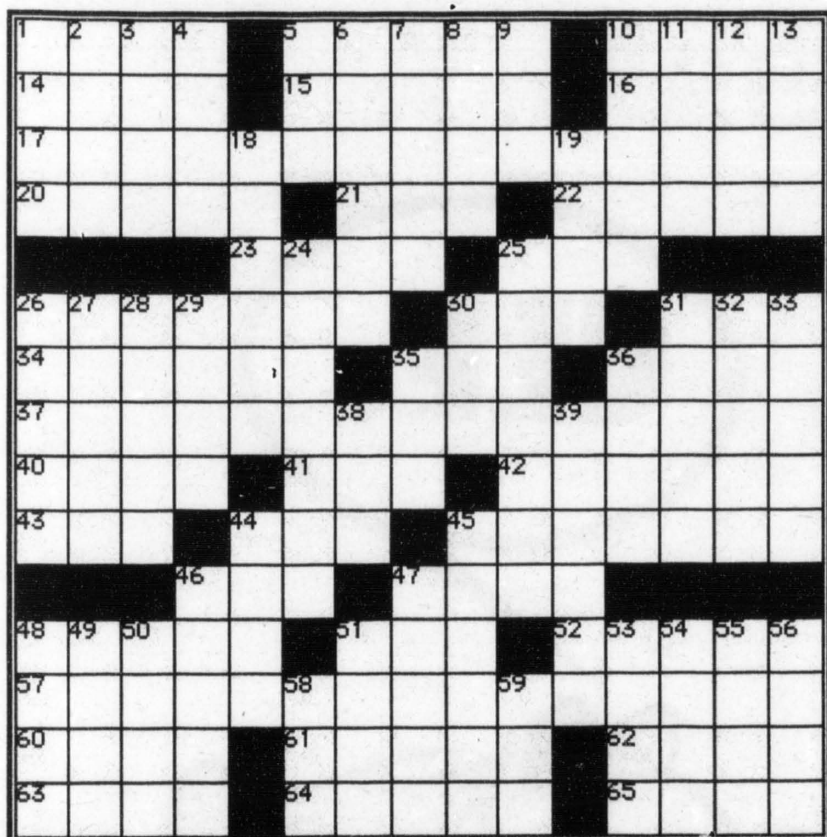
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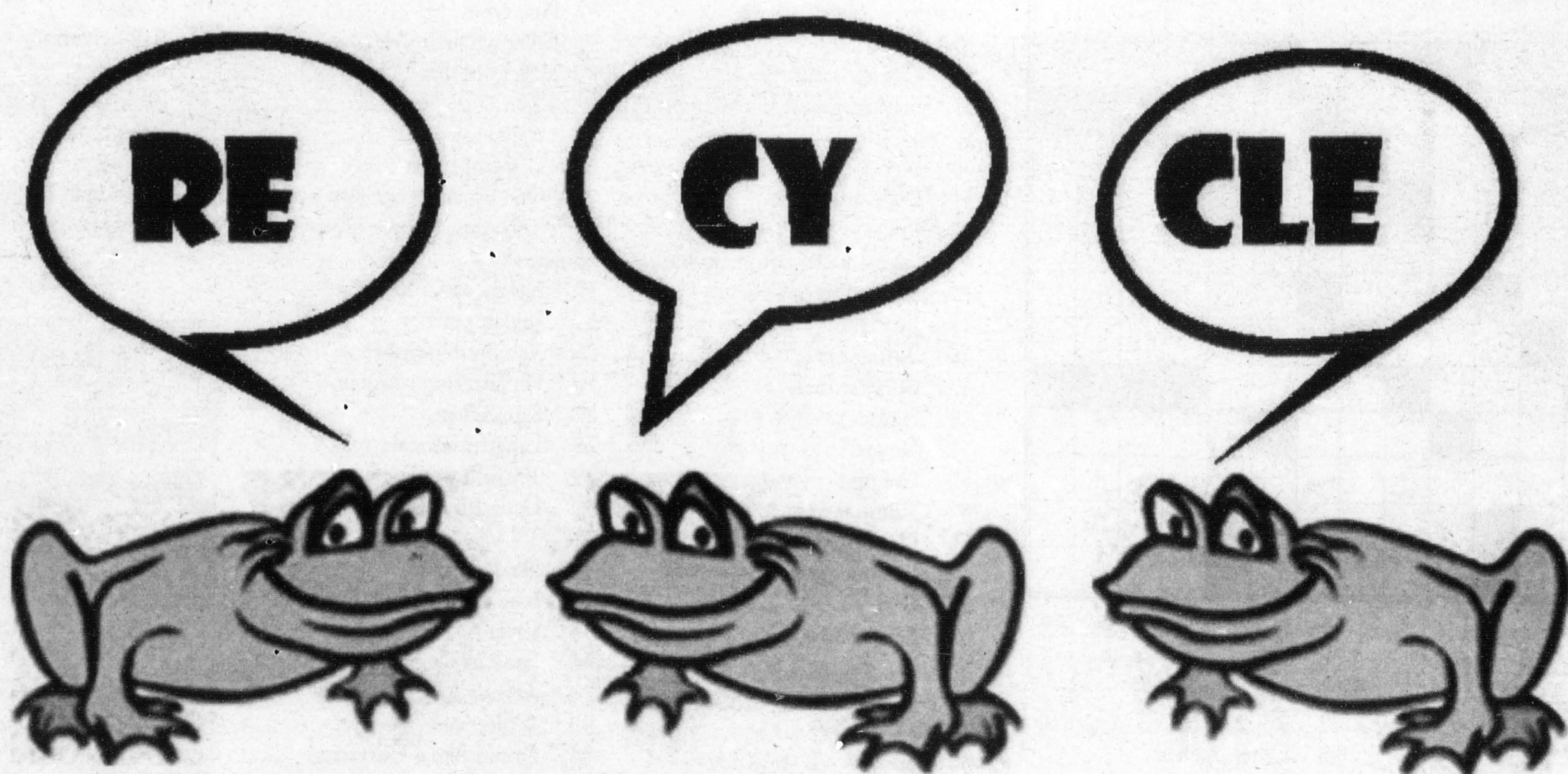
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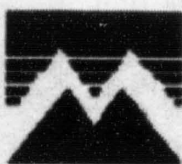


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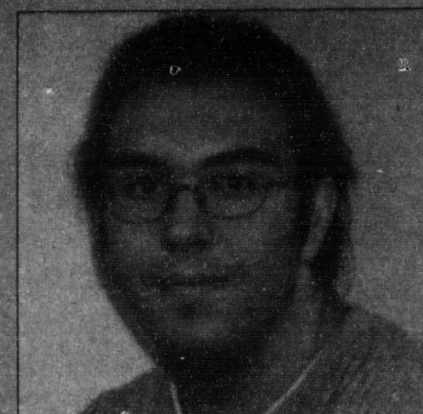
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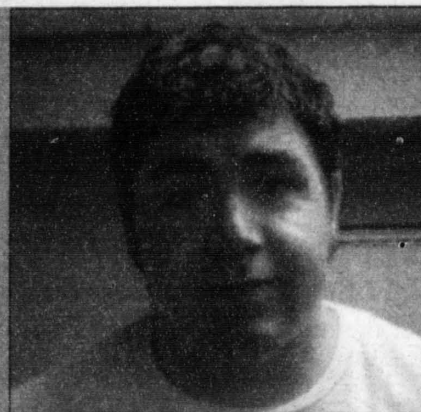
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* Involved in Phi Sigma Pi and PRSSA and enjoys verbally abusing Gregory.



* Stephen Janoski
* Production Manager/Web Editor
* Senior History Education major with a minor in Computer Science.
* Knows how to fence



* Sarah Stoermer
* News Co-Editor
* Junior Public Relations major
* Involved in PRSSA and enjoys physically abusing Gregory.



* Gregory Pellegrino
* Abused and confused



* Theresa Benner
* Features Co-Editor
* Junior Journalism/Public Relations major
* Spent all her money on summer road trips



* Heather Oister
* Features Co-Editor
* Junior Public Relations major
* Taught Spanish to elementary students



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* News Co-Editor
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* Likes to bungee jump



* Calvin Ruthven
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* Junior Business major
* Is an RA on Cedarcrest 2B



* Lexi Beckel
* Advertising Manager
* Junior Public Relations major
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* Dan Mason, Adviser, Sent his crossword and fled

OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: Moving onward and upward

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

Welcome to the first issue of *The Flashlight* for Fall semester 2003! I'll be your editor-in-chief this semester, and let me tell you...have we got a show for you!

We enter our 83rd year of production with a new staff, new goals and a new look. We're completely dedicated to giving the Mansfield University campus a student newspaper full of quality writing and intelligent thought processes. Now, whether or not we reach that goal is a completely different story, but trust me, we're trying our best.

One thing you'll notice on the next page is a schedule of office hours. In addition to being in the office all Monday and Tuesday, editors will now be in the office for at least an hour every day except Saturday. This way, if you have a question that needs to be answered, or an ad or story to drop off, you can have face-to-face contact with an actual human being.

If you've read *The Flashlight* before, you'll definitely see the changes we've made in each section. We're working hard to keep our content fresh and focused on the students. If you have any suggestions for columns, or if you're interested in writing one, read on to find out how to contact us. We always welcome new submissions, ideas and writers.

Now, I know it's unbelievable, but we here at *The Flashlight* do get the occasional complaint about our newspaper. Of course, criticism is always welcome, but due to past events I feel the need to set some guidelines so that everything runs smoothly this semester.

First of all, do not, under any circumstances, contact any member of the *Flashlight* staff at home or in their dorm room. This is unacceptable. All responses to our newspaper, good or bad, should be directed to the *Flashlight* office, in one of three ways: Call us at 662-4986, e-mail us at flashlit@mnsfld.edu, or stop by our office in Alumni Hall 2M. If any of

my staff members are contacted in a way that they feel is inappropriate, it will be considered harassment and the Campus Police will become involved.

Secondly, if you do have a complaint about the *Flashlight*, please state your opinion in an intelligent, restrained manner. You won't get anywhere by screaming and swearing at us. If you're unhappy with a story we've run, please let us know in one of the ways outlined above, and we will deal with it as best we can. We're only human: we make mistakes too. All of our errors are unintentional oversights that can usually be corrected with an apology or retraction.

Thirdly, this is a newspaper for the students and by the students. An article written by a student always takes precedence over an article from any other source. While we welcome submissions from professors, community members or other such university higher-ups, we only run a certain amount of pages per week and those pages will be filled with as much student-written material as possible.

Lastly, please realize that we're a group of students no different from any of the rest of you. We don't have any journalistic superpowers, nor do we have spellcheckers embedded in our brains. This newspaper is a learning experience -the editorial staff does receive class credit for it- and it is impossible to learn anything without making a few mistakes. We spend upwards of 20 hours per week in this office, editing, working on layout, taking photographs, etc. Most of us are taking a full load of classes, as well as holding leadership positions in other campus organizations. We put a tremendous amount of effort into this publication every week. *The Flashlight* is our baby, and we'd thank you not to treat it badly.

I look forward to an exciting semester, and to watching *The Flashlight* grow and change as the student body of Mansfield University does the same. Good luck this semester, and happy reading!

Letter from the President: Welcome!

Dear New Students,

I thank *The Flashlight* for this opportunity to welcome you as new students—as new members of the Mansfield family and our academic community. As the saying goes, we are a “Small University with Big Opportunities,” but growing as confirmations of new students are up 6% over a year ago.

Now it's important that you take advantage of these many opportunities to learn and grow as new freshmen. We are first and foremost a learning community; thus, your first opportunity is to learn from your experiences in and out of the classroom.

To maximize your learning, engage in conversations after opening convocation with our fac-

ulty; they care deeply about you. Learn from students of different backgrounds and perspectives. Talk about your summer readings and your aspirations for the future. Most of all, we want to help you to succeed and to fulfill your educational goals.

Mansfield is also a very student-centered university. We are all here for you, our students. Don't be afraid to talk to administrators and staff; get your questions answered and be off to a good experience in your collegiate career. “Mountie Movers” is a good reflection of this welcoming spirit.

No doubt you will be dazzled by new technology in the classrooms and by our new food court in

lower Manser. Then again, everything is new to you as freshmen! But please never take for granted the quality of the people here at MU; the spirit of our community; the beauty of our campus; or the lifelong friendships you will make at this “College on the Hill.”

Speaking of lower Manser, take a moment to pause outside. Think about the legacies left by two generations of alumni a half-century apart. The post clock will help you to get to class on time—a 50th reunion year gift. More recently, a small sign left by last year's graduating class also provides a legacy. This Class of 2003 gift quotes John Dewey: “Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”

Enjoy your education—your life—at Mansfield. It is a journey you will not likely forget. I am glad you are here.

Your President,
John Halstead



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It takes time and careful planning to go on a study abroad program. For next summer or next fall, you need to get started now. Study abroad can change your life and enhance your job prospects. The possibilities at MU are now wide open.

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Jenn Nelson
Heather Oister

SUNDAY

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Greg Pellegrino
Theresa Benner

Letter to the Editor: *Reminiscing*

Hi there!

I was searching around the web and stumbled upon your website. It is great to see that you now have an online version. Because of it, it will be easy to keep up on the campus news.

I was on the *Flashlight* staff for several years when I was at MU. In 1984, I was there when the newspaper was still produced on a computer graphic machine (which nearly took up the entire office), and we pasted articles and advertisements with glue. Finally, in 1986, we purchased "state of the art" Macintosh machines and laid out the paper with Pagemaker 1.0. We were also able to produce the first two color newspaper.

I'm also former *Flashlight* Editor

('87-'88) and was responsible for the "condom" issue. We were one of the first colleges in the country to spotlight AIDS and even included a condom in every issue of the paper with instructions. It caused quite a response, and the local news and TV stations came to MU within hours. We didn't expect anything like that. It's hard to believe that was 15 years ago.

Anyway, keep up the great work!

-Corbin Woodling

(Editor's Note: Just in case anyone is interested, we looked through our archives and found the infamous 'condom issue' - yes, with a fifteen-year-old 'Tahiti Tropical Colors' condom still attached.)

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Basketball: UNLV transfer Omari Pearson will join the Mounties this season along with five other recruits.

Softball: The Mounties finished Second in the ECAC Division II Championship Tournament to end a successful 2003 season. Jacklyn Laskowski, Jes Ricker and Nancy Quinn were named with NCAA Division II Mid-Atlantic All-Regional Honors.

Track and Field: Charity Learn became the first Mountaineer to take the PSAC title with a first place finish in the steeplechase. Josh Wooten took second place in the steeplechase as well. Learn and Wooten were also named as Mansfield's Spring Athletes of the Year. Charity was also named as the PSAC women's track and field Rookie of the Year.

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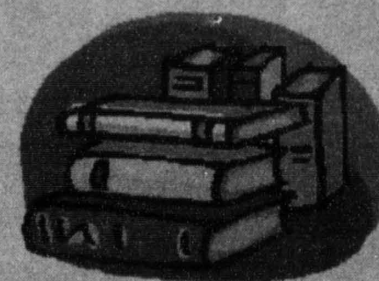
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Dribbling down the court of infidelity

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor
COMMENTARY

We all know him. We know that face, those moves.

We know that infamous number eight stitched on the purple and gold. He is the person we see in Sprite commercials, you know - 'obey your thirst.' Number eight is one of the top three most marketable athletes in professional sports. Only Tiger Woods and Michael Jordan stand before him. He is endorsed by Nike, McDonald's, Spalding and of course, Sprite.

However, the tables have turned for this phenomenal super star with the three golden championship rings. It is time to introduce you to the new Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant - cheater and liar.

This past season, the Los Angeles Lakers did not make it to the NBA Finals. The San Antonio Spurs cut the team's quest for the fourth ring short. The team felt a hard blow as key players such as Rick Fox were injured during the playoffs.

Enter Kobe Bryant. Bryant was experiencing pain in his shoulder and knee. He needed off-season surgery on his knee if he wanted to return to the court. By now, America knows what happened next. The 24 year old Bryant was charged with sexually assaulting a 19 year old female worker at a classy hotel in Eagle, Colorado. The assault occurred while Kobe

was staying there to recover from his surgery. Bryant denied the charge at first, but he later admitted the act was consensual. To make it simple, Kobe tangled himself in the deceitful web of infidelity. *Did you forget you were married, Mr. Bryant?*

This is the exact point in which this case complicates itself: neither you nor I was at the hotel that night. We have no idea what went on between the two parties. It is basically a "he said, she said" case. Bryant's trial will be held on October 9 to begin sorting out the whole rape case. No matter what, Bryant is still guilty of adultery.

What is infidelity? The definition in Webster's Dictionary states that it is "unfaithfulness to the marriage contract." (*Way to be Kobe.*)

This piece was difficult for me to write and express my own views about Kobe. As an athlete, Kobe Bryant is one of my favorites; his talent is extraordinary. As a person, he let me down. Kobe not only broke his vows to his wife, he stained his once squeaky-clean image. Bryant was also notified by Nutella of Ferrero USA (a food product) that his contract would not be renewed because of this scandal. Analysts predict Kobe will lose millions of dollars in the future.

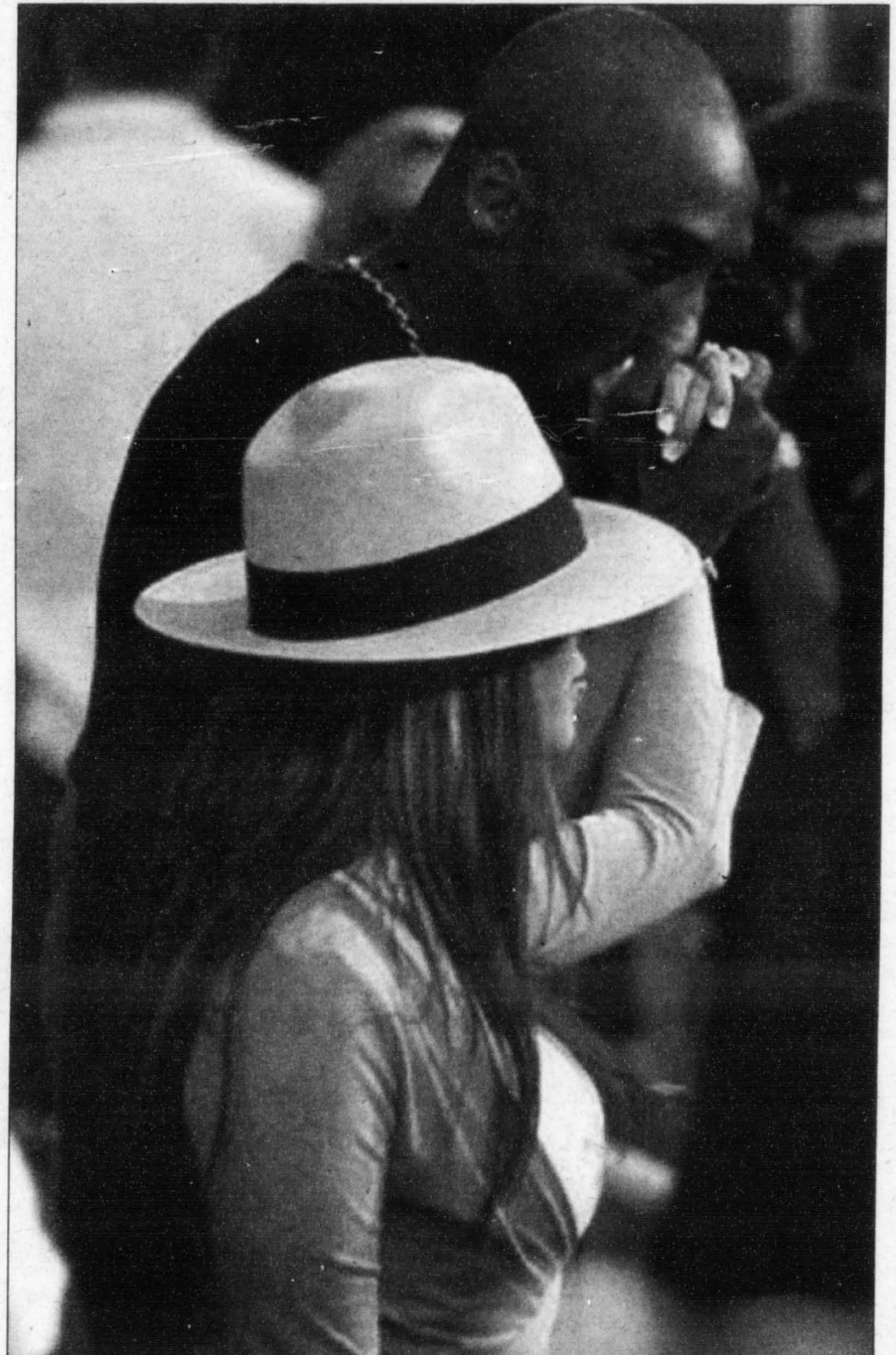
Infidelity and cheating are sadly becoming more common. Why is that? Are we just becoming more greedy and selfish through the generations? It is pathetic that "having your cake and eating it

too" is slowly replacing one of the Commandments: "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

I could stop there, but I won't. Let's dig deeper into this dark pit. I read an article in the August issue of ESPN magazine by columnist Dan Le Batard. He makes a very good point about Kobe that a lot of us forgot to take into consideration: we made him into the mega star he is; we put him atop that pedestal of fame and fortune. Le Batard said, "...We simply do not know our athletes, no matter how many of their commercials we see."

Right now, our hero Kobe has stepped off that pedestal and is now a human being. A human with flaws and imperfections. He cried at his first public press conference. Tears of guilt and embarrassment. He held his wife's hand tightly and admitted he was a cheater and a liar. (*Thank you for the truth.*)

MTV's Chris Connelly said Bryant is the only NBA player to give a public apology for cheating. He may be more of a man for doing that, but the damage is done. Le Batard also pointed out that "someone with small fame can make the leap with a big crime, the way Rae Carruth did with murder. And someone with big fame can make it with a small crime, the way Sammy Sosa did with cork. Either way, though, they become symbols that allow us to examine other parts of America,



Yahoo Sports

Kobe Bryant once had a perfect image - as a person and an NBA athlete. Now, he is faced with criticism and a crumbling marriage after being charged with sexual assault.

and ourselves." And we are doing just that. It took the Lakers' star to commit a sin for us to finally realize there is something very wrong in America.

"...We're not really that far removed from the days when Joe DiMaggio was allowed to slap around Marilyn Monroe in private as long as he did us the courtesy of knotting his tie properly and pretending to be the distinguished American icon in public," Le Batard said. We as sports fans and average people see the problem but look away. It's time to deal with the reality and stop making our lives worse.

Kobe was recently awarded the Favorite Male Athlete on Fox's Teen Choice Awards. He was in

the running for the award along with Derek Jeter, Tony Hawk and Kelly Slater. To my surprise, he received a standing ovation. His fans still support him as an athlete, but it's obvious their hearts are still broken, including mine. Kobe said, "We're flying through some dark clouds right now, but with God's help, the sun will shine again." He said those words with tears in his eyes and a choked up voice.

Yes, Kobe we see your pain, and you will continue to see ours. You've proven yourself as a hero and a human. It has often been known that *even heroes have the right to bleed*. Number eight, you will be bleeding for quite some time. Eventually, we can forgive and forget.

This Week in Mountie Sports

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Mansfield field hockey is on a rise

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

They were told they're too young. They're too inexperienced. Not enough talent, especially since losing four All-Conference caliber players. And, oh yeah on paper they don't match up to the elite of the PSAC.

But don't tell this to the Mansfield University field hockey team. This year they're just as talented as they were last, if not better. They may even be as good as the ECAC championship team from 2001.

The Mounties finished last season with their second straight double digit win season at 10-7, just missing a berth into the ECAC play-offs to defend their title. The only difference between this year's team and last year's is they are without graduates Brooke Fronczkewicz, Gretchen

Reschke, Kristi Swartz and Teri Tressler.

"We were let down by the loss of the seniors, but the freshmen picked us up," junior Christine Thiers said.

This year's recruiting class brings in five new players, which include goalie Shannon Brim, and mid-fielders Nicole Dann and Angela Hamill. The Mounties also brought in forward Alissa Gallagher and defensive back Jessica Wieder.

Also returning for the Mounties this season are eight players from the 2001 championship team. Forwards Kristen Campbell, who had a career year in goals with 10 and Christine Thiers return on the offensive front.

The Mounties bring back a majority of their midfielders in the likes of juniors Chelsea

Phillips, Marci Fureman, Ashley Celaschi, Marci Lippert and Amy Laubach. Also returning is sophomore Amy Houck.

Defensively, Mansfield has last year's freshmen Holly Frederickson and Ashley Meta returning.

The Mounties also have their top goalie Heather Long coming back as the team's only senior. Last season, Long finished with 184 saves and three shut outs.

According to some players, this year's team's two main strengths are its passing game and that the team is really close, especially with the freshman class.

The Mounties may look young on paper, but since when is a game played on paper?

"We're going to surprise a lot of teams this year," junior Marci Lippert said. "Teams aren't going to expect much from us."



THE FLASHLIGHT

Mansfield field hockey has practiced day and night to prepare for their upcoming season.

The Mounties will begin surprising teams on Aug. 31 against Bryant College, a team that shut out Mansfield last season.

"Teams think we're in a rebuilding year," said junior Kristen Campbell. "We're going to shock a lot of people."

Hot Topic of the Week: Shut Your Yap

Invest in the duct tape. Please.

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The First Amendment of the United States Constitution states: "Congress shall make no law...prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press..."

One of the greatest things of being a citizen of this country is our freedom. We can live how we choose and voice our own opinions. Other countries do not allow for this type of behavior. We are very fortunate. But, do we abuse our right to freedom of speech? Yes, we do. Since we can express our thoughts publicly, it often leads to problems with people who disagree with us or who are offended.

Our new sports world is guilty of over-stepping the boundaries with freedom of speech and the press. I remember a time when athletes strived for a respectable image and prestigious sportsmanship. Where did those days go? Don't get me wrong, an athlete has just as many rights to freedom of speech as any other person. Sometimes they need to just cover their mouths with duct tape. The press is also at fault because they publish or broadcast these comments. Yes, it's true media only speaks the truth and does not hold back.

Unfortunately, they also go too far. Take for example the unforgettable John Rocker. The "bad boy" of baseball was known for his derogatory comments on "why we let foreigners into this country, his "fat monkey" teammate and "queers with AIDS." (This calls for a roll of duct tape.) I could voice my opinion on Rocker, but I'll just censor myself.

There is simply no need to make these thoughts public. Some audiences were offended by the negativity; others enjoyed it because of their sick thirst for controversy. And yet we wonder why some athletes receive hate mail and death threats. Hey, Rocker. The game of baseball is entertaining, not you.

Other athletes have stirred up some concoctions of their own. Allen Iverson was quick to comment on the Kobe Bryant case. "A.I." must not forget he did some jail time himself. Now onto Emmitt Smith. He may be the NFL's All-Time Rushing Leader, but he isn't the only "diamond" out there. (Smith referred to himself as a diamond among the rest of his teammates.) Sometimes words are not meant for everyone's ears. *Invest in some duct tape, please.*

Attention-getting or just plain dumb?

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Newspapers love them. People debate them. Athletes say them. Yes, the almighty quote. Some are good while some are bad. Some are rather intelligent, while some are just plain dumb.

We turn our attention to New York Giants Jeremy Shockey, who recently opened his mouth (surprise surprise) and had a statement for Dallas Cowboys head coach Bill Parcells: "Let's see how much Parcells wins this year. I'll make him pay when we play them. The homo."

Hold the press! Shockey called Parcells a homo. The world is coming to an end. The only negative thing coming out of this for Shockey and the Giants is that it's only August, and the Cowboys already have wall material for their September 15 meeting in the Meadowlands.

This isn't the first nor the last time that Shockey will make a comment that draws major media attention. But was what he said all that bad? I mean look at Kobe Bryant: he is being charged with sexual assault, and we're all giving him the benefit of the doubt. Then there is Shockey who says one little word at the end of a statement, and everyone is ready to take off his head. Instead of harassing him, why don't we give him the benefit of the doubt, too?

Even Arizona Cardinals Emmitt Smith was jumped on for his comments he had for his former teammates. "It felt like being a diamond surrounded by trash." Wow, kind of harsh coming from someone that won three Super Bowls and being the All-Time Leading Rusher. Can you blame him? Other than Smith, who else was there to brag about on the Cowboys?

So what's the reason behind such comments like the ones made by Shockey and Smith? Is it for the attention? Maybe. Is it because they're not thinking at the time? Probably. Whether what the reason, athletes will continue to make the headlines for their not-so-bright statements. The only solution for comments such as this - try thinking before you speak. If not, you'll find yourself all over the newspapers and on SportsCenter a million times a day.

Mounties ready to shine in 2003

After being one of the most improved programs in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference for each of the past two seasons, the 2003 edition of Mountaineer football hopes to be one of the best teams in the PSAC East.

In his first two years at the helm of the Mountaineer program, head coach Chris Woods had his teams in position to post the programs first winning season since 1975. Although his first team in 2001 went 2-8, four of those eight losses were determined by nine or fewer points and all in the fourth quarter. Last season, the Mountaineers went 3-7 with seven of those losses by 11 or fewer points including three by three points or less.

Returning the top ranked defense in the PSAC East and with four-year starter Travis Motley back for his final season at quarterback, it is easy to see why Woods and his staff have such high expectations for the 2003 campaign.

Defense

It all starts with the defensive unit that last season allowed a PSAC low 292.5 yards per game and a conference low 24 touchdowns. Led by senior Dan Holland

- the 2002 NCAA Division II Linebacker of the Year - the defense returns eight starters off last year's squad and a new look to take advantage of an outstanding linebacking corps.

Linebackers

The switch to a 3-4 from last year's 4-3 will provide increased opportunities for an exceptionally deep and quick group of linebackers. Holland, a consensus All-American last season, led NCAA Division II in tackles (144) and solo tackles (81). He is expected to break the school all-time tackles record during his senior season. Sophomore Randy Reinert is coming off a phenomenal freshman campaign that saw him rack up 57 tackles including 13.5 for a loss.

A large and talented freshman class includes Dan Beckey, Patrick Devlin, Josh Ganly, Dennis Montroy, Shawn Panchik, Dustin Shuler and Josh Watson.

Defensive Line

Last seasons defense was fourth in the PSAC and second in the PSAC East with 31 sacks and returns four players who started on the defensive line last year.

Up front the defensive line will be led by junior noseguard Brian DeCecco. A second team All-PSAC East selection last year, DeCecco has the strength to hold his own and speed to run down backs. Joining DeCecco are returning starters Mike Donati, who racked up 31 tackles and two sacks as a freshman, and Drew Grieshaber with 15 tackles and two sacks in 2002.

Secondary

The secondary will be relatively young, but very experienced. Six players who started sometime during the 2002 season return led by junior Joe Frick. Last year, Frick topped the sec-

ondary with 51 tackles and three interceptions. He is joined by junior Daricus Haynes, a two-year starter who had 37 tackles last season, and junior Mike Reed who started the first three games of the season.

Junior Ricky Woods moved from linebacker to the secondary during the course of the season last year and responded with 38 tackles. Ryan Geishauser, a mainstay at running back his first two seasons, moved to cornerback during the spring and will bring both size and speed to the corner this season. Jonathan Bryd, and Ronnie Montgomery each were spot starters as freshman last season. Paul Potzman saw considerable action as a freshman last year.

Offense

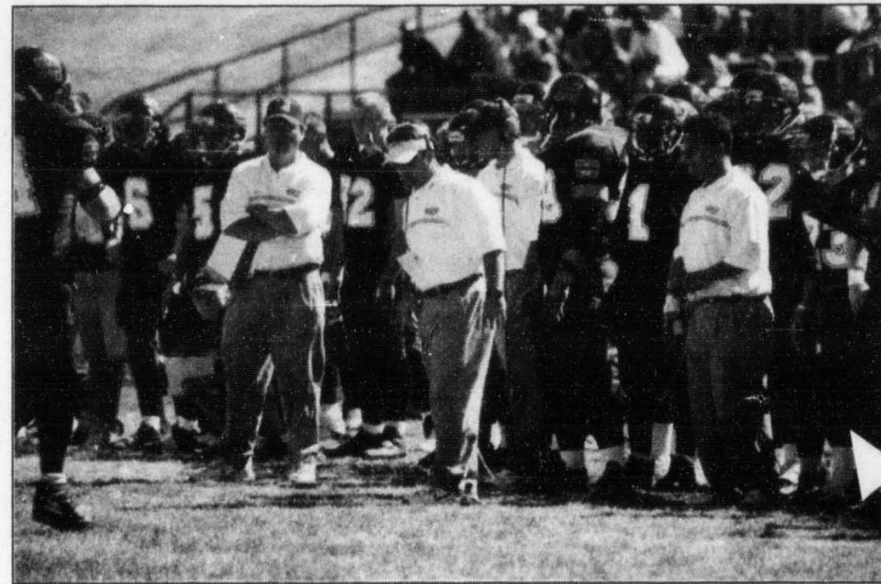
Heading into his senior campaign, quarterback Travis Motley hopes to make it his best. After leading the second best passing attack in the PSAC for the past two seasons, the 2003 version of the Mounties offense has expectations of being one of the best ever. Returning wideout Joe Bennett from a medical redshirt, and the addition of running back Jason Roscoe, should prove to provide the balance Mansfield may have lacked in the past. With the return of 2002 leading rusher John Loisel to his natural fullback position, the Mountaineers hope to become more of a threat inside the red-zone.

Offensive Line

There are high expectations heading into the 2003 campaign for the offensive line. Ryan McClella, Chris Farris, Lucas Ingersoll and Nick DeSantis have two years of starting experience and have developed well together this spring. McClellan, a second team All-PSAC East selection, and Ingersoll are expected to resume their spots at the tackles with Farris and DeSantis inside at guard. This core group, now being able to cover multiple positions on the line, is expected to gel even more as the season progresses.

Quarterbacks

Entering his fourth and final season as a Mountaineer, Travis Motley definitely has some unfinished business. Motley has guided the Mounties passing attack to the



SPORTS INFORMATION

Coach Woods and the rest of the Mounties are ready to show the rest of the PSAC that they are for real.

top of the PSAC for the past two seasons and the 2003 season looks to be no different. Entering this season Motley has opportunities to break nearly every Mansfield passing record and cap an already great career with a memorable senior season. Senior Justin Ross will provide backup to Motley along with returners Tyler Blakeslee, David Fetzer and Matthew Hildebrand. This season's incoming class of quarterbacks looks promising with freshman Donnie McDonough, Tyler Smith and Nathan Wielobob.

Receivers

With the return of the 2001 and 2002 seasons leading receivers, the 2003 Mountaineer receiving corps should be one of the strongest ever. 2001 All-PSAC East wideout Joe Bennett will return this year after being sidelined after the first game of last season. Bennett, who was second in the PSAC in receiving in 2001 with 53 catches for 819 yards, returns in combination with Arnaldo Santiago, the Mounties leading receiver a year ago, (37, 541 yards) will provide large targets for Motley. Dan Bennett, who had 19 catches for 240 yards in 2001, will rejoin his brother after sitting out last season. A large and talented cast of newcomers including, Max Bartlebaugh, Luke Hill Taylor Ruddy, Joe Carter, Jurel Daniel, Allen Delgado, Robert Delgado, Brian Giannotta, James Painter and Luke Straniere will add much needed depth and all vie for playing time.

Junior Eddie VanBuren had 13 catches for 158 yards is slated to fill

the role as the starting tight end for the second straight season. Returning sophomore Jason Zeigler is expected to see time and will be backed by newcomers Matt Bachman, Mike Lengel, Otis Montgomery, Shane Richardson and Ryan Watts.

Running Backs

An improved running game looks to be one of the Mountaineers best weapons this coming season. Junior Ryan Geishauser made the transition from running back to corner back in the off season and speedster Jason Roscoe returned after taking the past two years off to concentrate on basketball. Roscoe, who rushed for a team high 586 yards as a freshman in 2000, had an excellent spring and give the Mountaineers a much needed outside threat.

The fullback will be one of the deepest positions entering camp this year, with senior Ryan Andres, and red shirt sophomore Cheyenne DeWald fighting for playing time. Loisel, Andres and DeWald will be backed by a host of talented freshman: Travis Johns, Robert Langdon, Chase Hagan and Jair Romero.

Special Teams

After struggling the past two seasons, special teams are expected to be the most improved unit of the 2003 season.

Jeff Mimm and Keefe Richards both return after splitting time as the starting kicker last season as freshman. They will be joined by transfer Sean Hair and freshmen Brandon Fields, Matt Lebeda, Zack Moyer and Chris Nigro.

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Flashlight Sports

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Cross country ready to soar again

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Get ready for the 2003 cross country season.

This year marks the 40th year of Mansfield's cross country and track and field program. Head coach Michael Rohl is back for his second full year at the university.

Since Rohl's arrival, the Mountaineers have increased team size over the short span of two seasons. He also helped improve the team as well as individual performances.

The Mountie cross country team has developed a very competitive edge in PSAC competition. For the first time, several runners have represented Mansfield in competition in the NCAA Championships. Rohl has also

established an outstanding recruiting class. We all know that last year's class included Charity Learn, and she lead the program into unforgettable heights.

Returning to assist Coach Rohl with the team are his wife Michelle and Sherri Stager. Assistant coach Michelle Rohl is a three-time Olympian. She also won the Women's National One-Hour Championships at 12,504 meters on July 23. Assistant coach Stager is a sports nutritionist and a registered dietician who works closely with distance runners.

As the team ended a successful season, they are preparing to come back stronger and faster than before. They will continue to make enormous strides in the PSAC. Like the other fall sports teams, the cross

country team already began practice while the rest of the student body gears up for yet another academic year.

The men's team will see the return of several talented runners including Josh Wooten, Adam Staier and Jeremy Bochert. Wooten headed the men's team and is expected to do just that in 2003. Staier and Bochert will help lead the pack of new recruits and, of course, better their individual performances.

Charity Learn, Theresa Stanford and Erin Brunelle will assist the new female recruiting class. Last season, Learn was named as Mansfield's Female Athlete of the Year for her incredible talent and skills. She was also named as the Female Athlete of the Year for the Spring track season of 2003 and as the PSAC Rookie of

the Year.

The recruiting class for this year's cross country and track and field season was also released. This year's cross country signees for the men's team are Alex Bond, Chris Cummings, Mark Daniels and Joe Trapani. The women's team includes Rachel Hall, Jacklyn Hannold, Robyn Ireland, Allison Kilgore, Nicole Lazarz, Jenna Phillips, Candace Taylor, Kristin Weller and Jenny Wood.

As great runner Steve Prefontaine once said, "You have to wonder at times what you're doing out there. Over the years, I've given myself a thousand reasons to keep running, but it always comes back to where it started. It comes down to self-satisfaction and a sense of achievement."

September

- 13 at Penn State Spike Shoe Invitational 10 a.m.
- 27 at Salisbury Invitational 11 a.m.

October

- 4 at Geneseo Invitational 11 a.m.
- 18 at Rochester Invitational 11 a.m.
- 25 **MANSFIELD TRI** with Lock Haven and Bloomsburg 10 a.m.

November

- 1 PSAC Championships at Bloomsburg 12 p.m.
- 9 Regionals at Lock Haven 12 p.m.
- 22 NCAA Nationals - North Carolina 12p.m.

Time to kick into the PSAC

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Last season the Mansfield sports world introduced a new sport, womens' soccer.

It was a start of something special and with one year already under their belt, the Mansfield University womens' soccer team is more than ready to kick-start the 2003 season.

This year's schedule should test the Mounties' young team with match-ups between the PSAC's elite in the likes of Lock Haven, Shippensburg, Millersville and Bloomsburg.

The Mounties already had a taste of what the PSAC teams are like last spring. The team took part in spring tournaments against most of the PSAC teams.

The Mounties may be a young team featuring 13 freshman and and eight sophomores, but they

do have experience.

Along with the experience, the Mounties also have their top three scorers from last season returning; they include Megan Colbey, Jamie Heller and Nicole Nycz. The three combined for 14 goals along with five assists.

Mansfield has the ability to put points on the board, but it's their defensive play that needs to be on in order to get the job done. According to head coach Tim Dempsey, the Mounties set a few goals this season that mostly revolve around the defensive side of the ball.

"We would love to win the championship, but we did set a few goals," said Dempsey. "We want to limit the number of shots; we don't want to get out-shot or out-hustled. If we do that we will be in every game."

Last season Mansfield were

outshot 8.6 to 7.2 during their first season.

The Mounties success will also fall into the hands of their goal keeper Julie Miller who sustained a season ending new injury last season.

"Julie is about 80-85 percent healthy," said coach Dempsey. "She needs to get her confidence and her explosive power back which will take game experience. She has worked super hard along with our other goal keeper Nicole."

Last season Miller had 52 saves, giving up just 2.19 goals a game.

Along with tight defense the Mounties have also improved in numerous categories according to Coach Dempsey.

"We definitely improved on our speed and we have more depth in the back and in the front," said



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The Mounties get ready for their season opener on Aug. 29 against Juniata College.

Dempsey. "We have worked very hard in the last few weeks."

The Mounties will begin their 2003 season on Aug. 29 against

Juniata College at Myers Field.

Mansfield won't face a PSAC opponent until Sept. 10, against Slippery Rock University.



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Kelchner warns, 'Go Before You Go'

By KELLY ANN MURRAY
Flashlight Writer

Several areas of the Kelchner Fitness Center are currently closed due to cracks in masonry walls in the locker/lavatory area of the building. An engineering firm has been called in to investigate.

The men's and women's locker rooms, as well as most of the racquetball courts are closed. This is due to the risk that the locker area may fall onto the courts. The engineer's reports claim that the area's supporting floor beams may be overloaded. To provide the fitness center patrons with a safe environment and to ensure the beams will not reach failure level, access to the locker area is restricted.

These restrictions will cause some inconveniences for fitness center users. Currently, there is one racquetball court in use. Kathleen Farrell, a freshman student desk worker

at the Kelchner Fitness Center suggests that students plan in advance before heading to the courts. "Right now, if anyone would like to use a racquetball court, it is recommended that they call in advance," Farrell said.

Because the locker rooms are now a restricted area, those wishing to use the restrooms or showers must use the facilities of the Doane Center across the street. It is recommended that restrooms be used before arriving at the fitness center. Hugh Schintzius, recreation director of the fitness center, pointed out the many new signs decorating the campus bearing the helpful hint, "Go before you go".

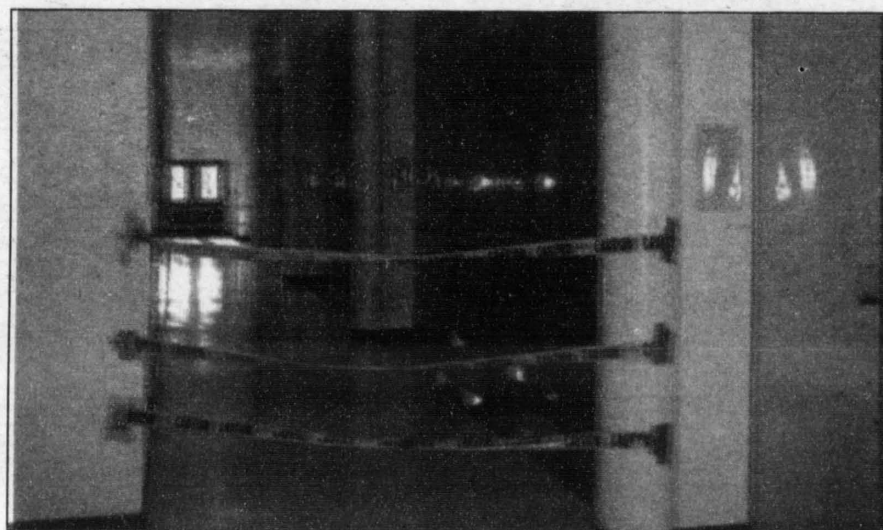
The problems in the fitness center will also affect this semester's racquetball class, scheduled to begin in October. As of now, the class will not be canceled. But will most likely be changed to a racquet-sports class. Games like badminton will

now be taught in place of racquetball.

It is unknown as to how long these restrictions in the Kelchner Fitness Center will last. "We are hoping have this matter taken care of as soon as possible," Schintzius said.

The fitness center opened in 1997, covered by a one-year repair contract. Working with

different engineers, the University is trying to determine the reasons behind the cracking walls. The project is not expected to be completed by the end of the spring semester. Mansfield University will try to schedule repairs at a time when the Kelchner Fitness Center's occupants will be disrupted the least.



JENN GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT

Parts of Kelchner Fitness Center blocked off to students.

Changes in Den cause confusion

By PAMELA KLINE
Flashlight Writer

School started two weeks ago, and already the food service at Mansfield is receiving a great deal of attention.

Over the summer, the Den received a facelift to update and brighten the decor, and the meal equivalency program was revamped as well. So far, the response to the new interior design has been positive. "It's a thousand times better," Trevor Roberts said sophomore.

The response to the new meal equivalency program, however, has been less than positive. Jamie Heller, a sophomore with the 14-meal plan complains that the new program is "killing our flex."

Other students at Mansfield agree and feel that something should be done to lower the cost of the food in the Den or to make more available with the new meal equivalency program.

Nick Loechnowicz, a sophomore with the 19-meal plan states that although he "likes the idea of being able to buy anything up to the cost of a meal" with the meal equivalency program, the expensive cost of the food in the Den, "drains the flex," citing that just over half his flex is gone after two weeks back at Mansfield.

According to Scott Cummings, General Manager of Dining Services, part of the problem may just be getting used to the many changes that have been made to the process of eating in the Den.

Here is the run down of how things really work this year: meal equivalency now exists only at the Mansfield Market that offers the main entree from upper Manser as well as two of the side dishes. This is offered from 7a.m. to 9:30 a.m. for breakfast, 10:30a.m.- 1:30p.m. for lunch, 4:30p.m.-7p.m. for dinner, and 8pm- midnight for a late-night

snack.

At the brand name food services- Pete's Arena, Blue Sky Grill, and Sub Connection- there is no meal equivalency. However, there is a cash equivalency. With cash equivalency, students may choose items that are rung up a la carte and then the price of a meal is subtracted from that total.

Any money over the allowed amount for each meal (\$2.60 for breakfast, \$3.60 for lunch, \$3.85 for dinner and \$3.70 for late-night) is then subtracted from the students flex account or can be paid in cash.

A few other changes have been made in the Den as well. In the Market Fresh cooler in the Convenience Store of the Den, there is a new meal equivalency program. Students can choose between two "packages" that allow them to choose a certain combination of salads, sandwiches, and side dishes. The C-Store offers a smaller selec-

tion than last year "It is important for [dining services] to offer what [students] are going to use, and welcomes suggestions for products being offered," Cummings said.

Cummings also stated that there have been a few problems in the Den so far this year. There were some circuitry problems and many important items like menu boards are on back-order. At the end of the semester, he will be meeting with other Mansfield officials to discuss the success of the changes to the Den.

Hopefully, the numerous changes to the Den will soon become second nature to students at Mansfield, and the confusion will quickly dissipate. Better signage will be in place soon to direct patrons. Anyone with questions or comments is encouraged to write them down and place them in the forthcoming comment boxes.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

★ **Holly Pieper, Communication and Theatre**, has been recognized by the Universal Accreditation Board for passing the Examination for Accreditation in Public Relations. She now joins 6000 other public relations professionals who have achieved accreditation and is able to use the APR designation. The program is administered by Public Relations Society of America (PRSA.)

★ The **Mansfield Chamber of Commerce** is now in association with Trailways Bussing. Bus tickets are no longer purchased at Travel World, but may be purchased at the Chamber Office, located at 51B South Main Street between Mark's Brother's and the Guthrie Clinic. The bus will no longer be stopping at Wal-Mart, but will be picking up passengers directly in front of the Chamber Office. Office hours are 11-3, Monday through Friday. For more information contact the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce at 662-3442.

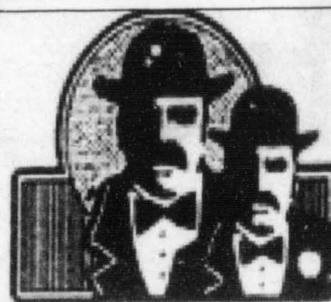
★ **Celebrate your freedom to read!** September 20-27 is Banned Books Week. The MU Xi Literary Society will host Public Readings from Banned and Challenged Books on Monday 9/22 thru Friday 9/26 from 12-2pm Outside the Student Center. All are welcome to participate. Sponsored by the Mu Xi Literary Society and The Student Activities fee. For more information visit www.ala.org/bbooks or contact Dr. Ulrich at X4585.

★ **20% discount** in the bookstore for red and black clothing purchases containing the MU logo leading up to the September 13 game against Buffalo State College. There will also now be a Spirit Section at the Football Game.

★ **9/11 Community Remembrance.** The Mansfield community will be holding a service of the remembrance at 7:00 p.m. in Veteran's Park. The Mountie Express will be available from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. to transport anyone needing a ride from campus to the event and back.

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What in the world

BY JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Associate Editor

National News

New York -

The final victim of Sept. 11 was laid to rest on Sept. 7.

Michael Ragusa, 29, was one of 343 firefighters that lost his life in the terrorist attack on New York City's World Trade Center.

A firetruck carried a vial of his blood to his memorial service at St. Bernard's Church in Brooklyn. About half the total 2,792 victims have been identified.

California -

Residents who lived near the San Bernadino National Forest returned home on Sept. 7 as improved weather conditions aided in the firefighters' control over the blaze.

The U.S. Forest Service has noted that almost 1300 acres have burned. This wildfire started on Sept. 5 four miles from Highland. Causes of this blaze remain unknown.

Washington, D.C. -

The White House reported that "more than four-fifths of the requested amount - \$20 billion for reconstruction and \$51 billion for military operations - would go to pay for the war in Iraq."

President Bush spoke to the U.S. on Sept. 7 saying, "...we will do what is necessary to achieve this essential victory in the war on terror, to promote freedom and to make our own nation more secure."

Boston, Massachusetts -

An \$85 million negotiation was settled on Sept. 9 with the Archdiocese of Boston.

This settlement stems from the 542 sexual abuse victims. Psychological therapy for the victims will also be paid for.

World News

Singapore -

An isolated SARS case was identified on Sept. 9.

The case was confirmed on a second test done on a lab technician. This is the first SARS case since an outbreak took place over four months ago in Singapore.

According to the World Health Organization, it is too early to tell if this new case is indeed another SARS outbreak.

In the past year, 840 people have died of the virus. Singapore General Hospital took emergency precautions when the patient was diagnosed with SARS.

New Delhi, India -

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon began his three-day tour of India.

This is the first time in 10 years a high-ranking Israeli official has visited that country. New Delhi Prime Minister met Sharon before entering the presidential palace.

Sharon also met with India's President A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, deputy prime minister, foreign minister and national security adviser to discuss the issue of the sale of the Arrow missile system.

Tel Aviv, Israel -

Seven Israelis were killed on Sept. 9 as a suicide bomber set off explosives at a bus stop located near an Israeli army base.

Police officials said that 15 others were wounded as a result of the explosion. The suicide bomber was also killed.

"Terror is a worldwide problem that must be fought without compromise and relentlessly," Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said. "There can be no compromise on the fight on terror."

Information taken from cnn.com



IT battles viruses on campus

By ERICA HUDOCK

Flashlight Staff Writer

On August 21, the Mansfield University Information

Technology department discovered an infection, referred to as the Blaster Worm, in the campus network system. The Blaster Worm attacks the server by multiplying, using the actual network to slow down the functioning ability of the system. Although the method of infection is unknown, the Blaster Worm may have been transported to Mansfield University through a student computer.

With little warning of the Blaster Worm, Associate Director of Information Technology (IT), Alan Johnson, worked with a crew of about 20 staff members and several student employees to scan and clean any computer with the infection.

Other schools in the country have been dealing with similar problems. According to an article written by journalist Ted Bridis of the Associated Press, even larger schools have taken a hit by com-

puter viruses. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology had shut down all computers that were believed to be infected. Other schools, including the University of North Texas and Vanderbilt University, are removing viruses from computers, but request \$25-30 fee in return.

Pennsylvania schools like Bloomsburg University "took the same actions as we did," said Johnson. "Larger universities like Penn State were pretty much forewarned since they started after us."

To protect computers from other viruses, Johnson suggests downloading patches and other blocking devices from the operating system website. "Keep it updated. Users need those new signature files." Microsoft, for example, provides a specific link for users to download the latest virus protection.

IT technician John Maslar recommends McAfee AntiVirus 4.51 as a protection program that can identify viruses and disinfect the computer. This program can be downloaded from my.mansfield.edu with no charge to faculty, staff, or students.

Any student who has not had his computer scanned by IT is strongly encouraged to contact the department to receive full protection from the infection. "We put as many blocks as we could on the CD," said Johnson. Students without the patch "are still vulnerable" to the infection.

Other viruses can attack the network at any time. Currently, IT is dealing with the "sobig.F virus".

"It hit the same day as the other virus," said Maslar. The "sobig" virus comes from off campus through e-mails and has the ability to slow down the mail server. In one minute of incoming e-mails, only four were virus free while nine others had the "sobig" virus.

"We have been able to protect the campus because the mail servers have been protected," said Johnson. These viruses should also be contained and not sent back out of the network. "We are not sending out rogue e-mails into the world," said Johnson. "We are protecting the world from us."

Bigger isn't always better

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Many students have lecture classes this semester. Some feel that with recent increases in enrollment, quality education has flown out the window. Professors are no longer teaching classes of 30 students, but speak to audiences of up to 700 students or more in some schools.

The Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties (APSCUF) is not willing to "compromise on quality". APSCUF had proposed an idea that would cut all profit motives for State System of Higher Education (SSHE) universities to increase class sizes. Universities increasing the size of their classes often push the boundaries of what professors know hinders learning among students.

Last Friday, negotiations were held between APSCUF

and SSHE. Managers for SSHE referred to oversized classes as "cash cows", and prompted APSCUF to defend its language in their contract that would take away the "cash cow" mentality.

The language that the faculty chose to bring forward would make a great change in the existing contract. Prompting, maximum payment to faculty who teach classes of 35 or more students, and providing that local negotiations would be made over class sizes of 120 or more students.

"APSCUF introduced language that would make it more expensive for System universities to increase class sizes beyond 35 students in a class. In actuality, APSCUF hopes that this section of the contract is never utilized. We hope that the System will restrain its compulsion to push class sizes beyond what is academically

sound. The only business that faculty are in is the business of educating the students," State APSCUF President William E. Fulmer said. Currently, in at least one System university, class sizes for the Fall Semester are as high as 700 students.

The current trend, under the current Chancellor Judy Hample, is that schools in the university system are financially benefited for constantly increasing class size. APSCUF's new proposal would help ease this trend hopefully bringing it to a stand still.

"Quality education cannot occur in classes of the sizes proposed by Chancellor Hample and the Board of Governors. The faculty of the system are dedicated to providing quality education to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and bigger in this case is not better," Fulmer said.

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Rush Week for Greeks

By SARAH STOERMER
Flashlight News Co-Editor

It is Rush Week again, boys and girls! This is your chance to find out about what the Greek Life Organizations here at Mansfield University are all about. So, put all your fears aside and step into the ever-burning Greek limelight.

During Rush Week, all the Greek Organizations hold activities open to all students. Each organization holds its own individual activities; it is this aspect of Rush Week that creates an atmosphere that allows people to get a feel for the fraternity or sorority itself. "The objective of Rush Week is to recruit a wide variety of quality new members," Jody Hare, director of Greek Life, said.

It is important to keep in mind that just by attending the Rush Week activities you are not automatically forced into becoming a member of the organization. Students should feel free to stop by and participate feeling no pressure to return, if they didn't feel well suited by the organization they visited. There are also no rules prohibiting students from visiting

more than one Greek Organization over the week.

Just about everyone is eligible to be part of this semester's Rush Week due to a new rule that allows first semester freshman to join a Greek Organization based on their high school transcript. The requirement for most organizations is at least a 2.0 Q.P.A., but there is still some variation between organizations. "Rush Week is a great opportunity, to see what we are all about," Brandi Novotny, a sister of Delta Zeta, said.

And for all of you, who have negative feelings about Greek Life, get over it. "It's important not to always believe stereo-types," Kari Long, a sister of Alpha Sigma Alpha, said. By this point in our lives we should know, that you cannot always believe what you see and in some cases what you hear.

All and all, Rush Week is a great opportunity to meet new people. So gang, open your eyes to the posters around campus to get some information on activities taking place. Also, for additional information on fraternities or sororities students can check out the Greek Affairs link on the Mansfield University website.

MU Honors students go to Ecuador

By HILLARY GRUMBINE
Flashlight News Co-Editor

On May 31 two students from Mansfield University's Honors Program flew out of the Philadelphia Airport for Ecuador. Katie Fotta and Bill Caufield would spend nearly a month in South America learning more than they'd ever imagined.

Not just any student goes on such an amazing journey to another continent. All honor's students at MU have to send a letter and describe why they'd be a good can-

didate. After this, candidates meet with the Honor's Council which is a group of honor's advisors with various disciplines. Students spend twenty minutes being interviewed by the council. Later, the Honor's Council chooses the two best candidates to go on the chosen trip, as well as an alternate in the event that someone can't go.

The students' room and board is taken care of, all they have to purchase are any souvenirs they may want to buy and textbooks they need before going on the trip as well as vaccinations and things needed to pack for the trip.

Before leaving, the students spent two weeks at Kutztown University learning about the economy and politics of Ecuador. The trip was sponsored by KU in the State System of Higher Education Program. Each year a school sponsors a trip to a country of their choosing and every state school has the opportunity to send two of its honors students.

Originally, Fotta and Caufield weren't even supposed to be in South America. The SSHE trip for this summer was supposed to be a trip to Beijing, but due to compli-

cations such as military unrest and the SARS outbreak, the trip destination was changed and the professors teaching at KU were only given about a month to prepare new lessons on Ecuador and the Amazon.

Two professors and the Director of Kutztown's Honors Program, Dr. Guiyou Huang, accompanied the students on the trip. They visited six cities in Ecuador: Baños, Guayaquil, Cuenca, Quito, Tena and Montañita.

Katie and Bill were asked to bring back something from Ecuador that represented the country to them. They chose a piece of art, a statue made in Ecuador with lively colors and native costume. It was hard for them to choose just one thing. "It's such a diverse environment," Caufield said.

Both Fotta and Caufield left Ecuador with many memories and having learned more than just politics and economics. They've done things they never imagined they'd do and the experiences they've brought back with them are sometimes more powerful than words. "I can't even describe it. My advice to others? Just do it!"



HILLARY GRUMBINE/THE FLASHLIGHT
Katie Fotta and Bill Caufield after their presentation to the Honor's Program.

Alumni Student Center renamed Alumni Hall Union Building

By EMILEE DANIELSON
Flashlight Writer

For those students that are new to Mansfield University this Fall, a change has taken place on campus that may have gone unnoticed by you.

Actually, even the students who have been here for a few semesters may not have noticed that a popular building on campus has undergone a name change. Alumni Hall Student Center, home of the bookstore and usually referred to by students as simply "Alumni", has been renamed Alumni Hall Union Building, or "the HUB".

The name change for the student center is the result of a tremendous amount of work by Jody Hare. Hare, previously the ADRL for Pinecrest and Hemlock and Coordinator of Greek Affairs, is now responsible

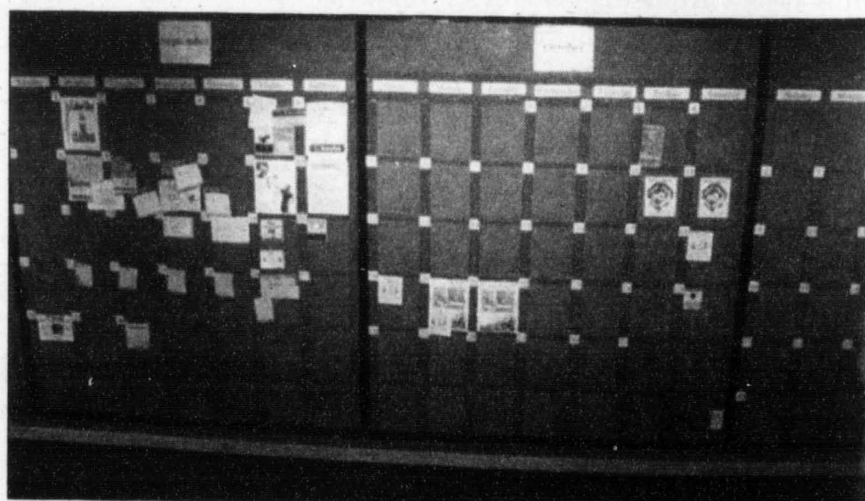
for overseeing the operation of the building and all of the student organizations at Mansfield. According to Hare the student center should be considered a "hub in the wheel of life for students on Mansfield University's campus".

Hare has many plans for the HUB, many of which have already become reality. Some examples of the new opportunities for students in the building are the billiard tables on the first floor which are now free for student use, the extended building hours that allow students access to the building until midnight, and the giant wall calendar on the third floor for organizations to post events.

In the works for the HUB is also the Mansfield University Student Organization Walk of Fame. On this Walk of Fame

organizations will be able to display an item they have donated to represent their organization. These items, displayed alphabetically, will be arranged in a path around the building and "guide books" will be available to find organizations. The anticipated completion date is sometime during Fall 2004.

With all of this activity going on in one building, the future of the HUB promises to be exciting improvement to the Mansfield campus. Hare recommends that all students become involved in making the HUB a success, "I'm looking for suggestions to improve the building and it make it even more appealing to our campus community. So if anyone has suggestions, I highly encourage them to bring them to me." Hare's office is located in the HUB on 3M.



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The Wall Calendar on the third floor of the new HUB.

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Student Center
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Student Center
- ♦Free use of Kelchner Fitness Center 9 a.m. -9 p.m.
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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

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Whale Rider (PG-13)



CD Review: *From the Ashes, Pennywise*

By MIKE PETERS

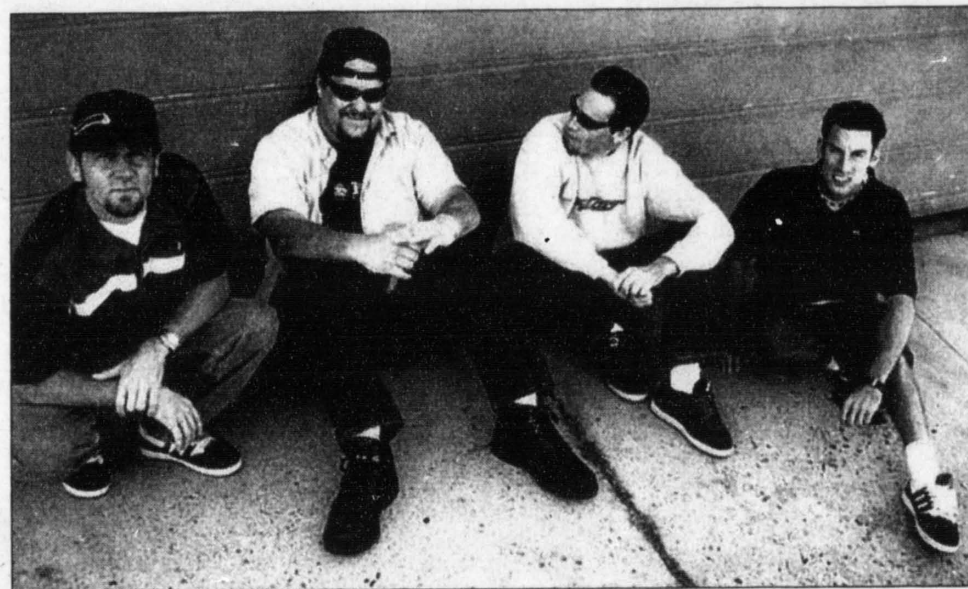
Flashlight Writer

Put down your Good Charlotte and Simple Plan albums for one second. Forget about Bowling For Soup and focus on one of the greats in the punk rock community. From the likes of other great bands and fellow Epitaph members such as NOFX, Bad Religion and Rancid, Pennywise is back with their eighth studio album *From The Ashes*.

"This album has a lot of things that are about 9/11 and just the fallout from that," explained Pennywise front man Jim Lindberg. "It's kind of an extension of the last album. 'Land Of The Free?' was our biggest political album. It was almost like a warning because with us being overseas and hearing and seeing other things there was something big coming," Lindberg said. "It just took a while."

From The Ashes is a culmination of Pennywise sounds from over the years. The band mixes elements of *About Time*, their fourth release to their latest *Land Of The Free?* Have no fear Pennywise traditionalists. You can still expect the same blinding beats and killer riffs that you will find in every other album.

The first track "Now I Know," sets the pace for the fastest 40-



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minute ride since "Full Circle." Later in the CD, they introduce a new weapon in their arsenal.

Just like former Epitaph artists The Offspring did with "Out on Patrol" off their debut album *The Offspring*, Pennywise begins "This Is Only a Test" with an acoustic feel followed by a beat that is faster than ever and lyrics that will force you to think.

Pennywise is in an elite group of bands that can do the same thing with every album and continue to get better and better.

Going along with a popular trend in the last couple of years, Pennywise speaks out against politics as well as the head of the country, George W. Bush. The following lyrics from "God Save the

U.S.A." can sum up the entire album: "The irony of liberty is no one here is truly free. Relations are stolen by greed, the G.O.P. So watch the nightly news. Find out how you're getting screwed. Whatcha gonna do? Any way you lose. It's all a joke in the good ole U.S.A. God Save the U.S.A. Blame the president, and say your prayers tonight."

This will be the last "must-have" CD of the summer, so get to a store and buy it. If this CD doesn't have you moving your feet with fury, then you aren't breathing. Forget all that pop punk on MTV for now, in fact, turn off MTV altogether and put in "From the Ashes" by Pennywise.

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Film Review:

The Magdalene Sisters

By PATRICIA McNEIL

The Pitt News (U. Pittsburgh)

"The Magdalene Sisters" is a drama, based on actual accounts, that tells the haunting story of four girls and their experiences in the Magdalene asylums of Ireland.

The Magdalene asylums -- named after Mary Magdalene, the carnal sinner turned penitent follower of Christ -- were set up by the Catholic Church as a place to reform "fallen" girls. Governed by nuns, these institutions were nothing more than laundry houses that worked the girls beyond physical exhaustion, which was considered an "earthly means to cleanse the soul."

The film follows Margaret (Anne-Marie Duffy), Bernadette (Nora-Jane Noone), Rose (Dorothy Duffy) and Crispina (Eileen Walsh) as they work in silence and misery.

As we soon find out, these dredges of society are nothing more than scared girls who have been put in the asylums by their families and their faith.

One girl was sent there because she was raped, others are unwed mothers and another still is there

because she was deemed a potential temptress of boys. Set in 1964 -- when the women's liberation movement was growing in America -- this film shows how girls were being cut off from society, and verbally and physically abused, in Ireland.

With the Catholic Church com-

years, laboring each day in the dark confines of the asylum, which has the appearance of a fine, holy institution. At the film's end, we learn that around 30,000 girls were sent to the Magdalene asylums throughout Ireland and, shockingly, that the last one was not closed until 1996.

The actresses do an incredible job with their characters. Bernadette becomes as outwardly cold as the nuns around her, but we see fire in her when she tries to enlist the laundry boy to help her escape, and when she lashes out at her oppressors with a candlestick.

Duffy's performance as Rose is striking. Quiet and soft-spoken, she never loses her sweetness as she

endures the heartache of having been forced to give up her child. Despite the abuse of the nuns, she does not become hardened.

Peter Mullan has created a compelling film that deals with a subject both horrifying and fascinating. "The Magdalene Sisters" draws you into the dark world of the asylums. And as you question ideas of morality, faith and society, it leaves you praising the strength of the female spirit.



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ing under worldwide scrutiny for the behavior of its priests, this film can easily be seen as another unmasking of the injustices of Catholicism. It questions the blind faith that these people have in their spiritual leaders. But it is also the story of the strength these girls exhibit as they come of age in an oppressive environment. Many of the characters in the film have no hope of escape or freedom. Some women have been there for 40



✪ The problem with the pop culture industry today, and, yes, pop culture is an industry, is the disregard for the consumer by the corporations in charge, as well as the consumer's acceptance of the standard. This not only applies to those caught in the wake of trends, but those devout nonconformists who conform themselves to nonconformity. It also applies to biased people like me who reign down the judgments and indictments of all things "not good." Essentially, the polarization process that has long separated Good from Bad has expanded, trashing Bad and Worse, and raising Good to Excellent to Can't Be Argued With. My favorite example is the band Radiohead. Critically considered the greatest rock band of our generation since the release of *The Bends* and then *OK Computer*, their last couple of albums have been weird, abstract, and blatantly obtuse. Most reviews seem to waver on a line that says, "Yes this is strange, but since it's Radiohead, it has to be good." What nobody wants to say is that if some random band had made *Kid A*, they would have been bashed as failing Radiohead wannabes, see the band *Grandaddy*. No one actually says *Grandaddy* fail, actually they usually get favorable reviews, but they cannot escape the ideal that is Radiohead, or, perhaps, the standard that is Radiohead. Everything said about them somehow revolves around Radiohead, or a notion that all things must be compared to them. Critics don't seem willing to escape the Radiohead standard; I understand it's hard today to break new ground as an artist, that the music of the past will always leak its way into the sounds of today and tomorrow, but that does not demand that comparisons have to be made, to render ideas to drivel, lost in the implication that all is merely replication. But here we go back to the idea of disregard by the record industry and the consumer. Categories, criticism, reviews, all these are often taken at face value; I don't mean that people always listen to those things, but often in music there is an undefined, or, actually, often defined, adherence to a music, and, thus, cultural stipulation. The record industry revels in this, using marketing as a strategy to promote certain groups to certain people; the consumer looks to stay within the boundaries set by the music itself and the music industry; critics must then find ways to stay edgy and discrimination is the easiest way to self-promote ones musical genius. It's all a strategy that fosters conformity to musical norms, one that refuses to balance itself out because it's a successful marketing ploy, and all of us, especially morons like me, fall into it.

Campus Voices

What reality TV show would you like to be on?



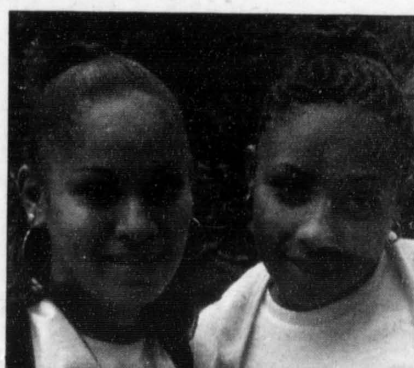
"For Love or Money. We would do this show because there's no way you can fall in love in 6 weeks....but that money!"

Kristen Ingram (left)



"The Real World because it'd be interesting to see how I would react being thrown into a house of people I do not know."

Nicky Collins



"We would be on *Real World* to show them how real people are because they act like spoiled brats and drama queens."

Jaylin Vega (left)

Latrice Jones

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1. Small amounts
5. How you feel after a feast
9. Droops
14. Fairy tale monster
15. Woodwind instrument
16. Frank or John Henry
17. "Oh no, I broke a ____!"
18. Origin
19. Violinist's need
20. TV show about seven stranded castaways
23. Late night comedy classic abbr.
24. Device used to capture butterflies and fish
25. Scarlet or crimson
26. Toward stern of ship or tail of aircraft
27. wear away (as an edge of cloth)
29. Afternoon drink
32. Lecherous man
35. Arbitrary order or decree
36. James ____ Jones

Down

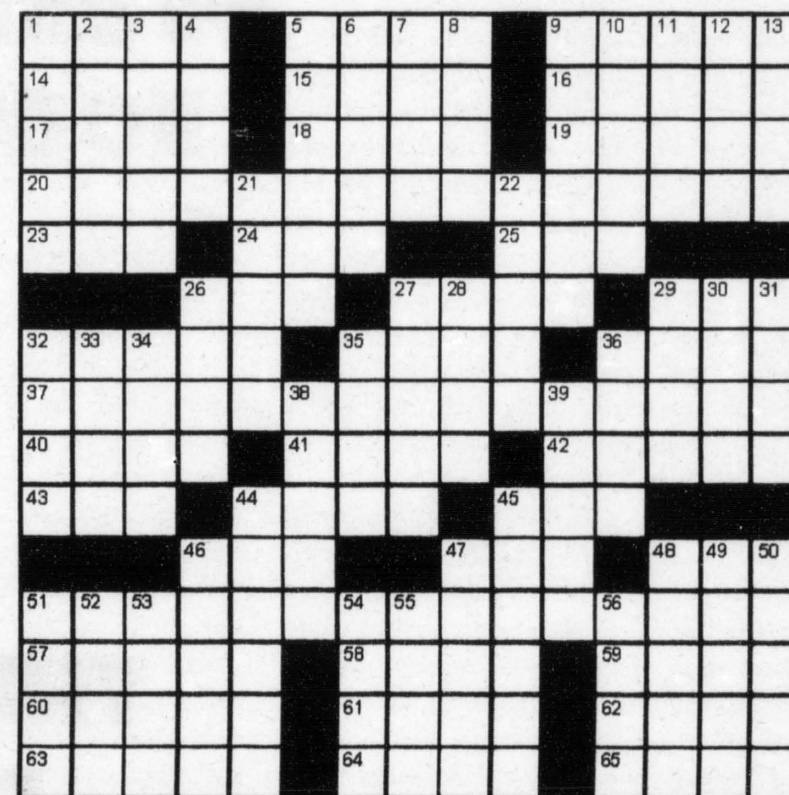
37. TV show starring Barbara Eden wearing harem pants
40. Hubbubs
41. Very small amount
42. Is fond of
43. Search engine on the web abbr.
44. Friend
45. Help
46. Black or Red
47. Decline
48. Type of tree
51. Title characters of TV show "making their dreams come true."
57. Last letter in the Greek alpha bet
58. Dorothy's dog
59. First-class
60. Artists' hat
61. Declare
62. Mara- or tele- finisher
63. Type of drum
64. Drummer Ulrich of Metallica

65. Lee or Evans
1. Grasping devices
2. Anew
3. Repetitive teaching exercise
4. Exchange for money
5. "Let's forgive and ____."
6. German submarine
7. One who is crazy
8. Allows
9. Resembling an equine mammal
10. "I couldn't get ____ of him."
11. Space shuttle abbreviation
12. Broad smile
13. Found in the desert
21. Red or sonic leader
22. Extremely angry
26. Yesses
27. Roman Numeral L
28. Ruler in India
29. Home for a pet fish
30. One of the Great Lakes
31. Pub drinks
32. Thailand's former name
33. Totals up
34. 1982 Disney movie starring Jeff Bridges
35. Dupe
36. City in Oklahoma

38. City of Northern Italy
39. An excuse
44. Expose to oxygen
45. detests
46. Bob ____ and the Silver Bullet Band
47. One of a class of compounds (RCOOR)
48. Hello in Hawaii

49. Male title in Madrid
50. Laughing animal
51. Hits in a high arc
52. Prayer ending
53. Aloe ____
54. Cousin of E.g.
55. Bossa and casa- ender
56. Darn!

Puzzle by TINA KAMBOURIS



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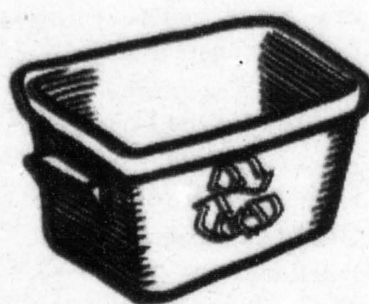
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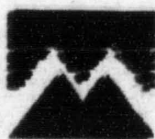


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Jenna Jameson should reconsider

By ZACH DuBORD

Flashlight Writer

Allow me to introduce myself, fellow student of Mansfield who happens to be reading *The Flashlight*. My name is Zach DuBord, and I am a horrible person. Well, not really, but that's what a couple people on campus will tell you, maybe a few of my ex-girlfriends, a kid who lives down the street from me, and my brother.

Now, after allowing me to introduce myself, please allow me to explain. If you happen to be a person on campus who thinks I'm a tool, well who cares. My ex-girlfriends probably think I'm terrible because I have a habit of waking up one day and deciding not to call them anymore, and that little jerk down the street probably hates me because I ran over his dog when he cheated at Rock Paper Scissors. My brother on the other hand will tell you bad things about me because he's my older brother and I've devoted several years of my life to destroying him.

That's me in a nutshell. I study Philosophy and in my spare time I play in a band, write essays about weird crap, and try to steal your girlfriend because I'm wounded and listen to Something Corporate. In fact, a few years ago I wrote essays about weird crap and they used to get published in a few newspapers. Those days are over now, or so I thought.

The point of all of this you ask? I'm returning to print media in the form of a (hopefully) weekly column in *The Flashlight*. I'm pretty excited about it, my only challenge being that I'm not terribly certain of what to write about. You see, I'm not the type of writer who likes to publish ten or twelve bulleted thoughts and call it a night. I do MANLY writing about MANLY things and in MANLY ways. Basically, I like to write about a single topic in somewhat of a detail. However, I've had trouble coming up with ideas, since it has been so long since I've written.

Initially I thought it would be a great idea to write a relationship column. I'd call it "Sex and The Burrough." I find that I'm pretty qualified when it comes to writing about sex, so good that I almost went into a joint venture with a friend of mine. We were going to write an adult movie and call it *The LesBIONIC Woman*. It was going to be a sci-fi adventure porno, but sadly Jenna

Jameson never returned my calls. Anyhow, the title of my first relationship column was going to be "The Ethics of Masturbation: Monogamy Is in Your Hands" but it occurred to me that some people on campus would get offended and throw the book at me. I'm not saying I couldn't handle it, I am after all a Catholic, but we don't want riots in the streets, especially because I heard that *The Flashlight* is going for a non-offensive tone this year. Whoops.

So after having canned that idea, I thought about writing a series of columns called "Compare and Contrast." This would be designed to show the differences and similarities between every day things in entertainment, day to day living, and food. For instance, in one column I'd compare and contrast Larry Flynt with Jabba The Hut, and in another I'd discuss the plots of *Bill and Ted's Bogus Journey* and *The Terminator*, with my crowning comparison being about Beer Pong and Political Discontent where I would examine which is a better reason to punch someone.

However the Flynt/Jabba story would inevitably get me pigeonholed as a pervert, the Bogus/Terminator story would get me pigeonholed as a geek, and the Pong/Discontent story would get me beaten like a red headed stepchild, or Tina Turner, or a redheaded Tina Turner. Therefore it would seem that the Compare and Contrast idea fell to the same fate as my relationship column.

So in the end, I settled on introducing myself to you, and explaining why I couldn't offer you a serious social commentary just yet. I promise I will, so if you thought that this column sucked, so did I, and quit complaining. It's also important to note that everything I write should be taken with somewhat of a grain of salt. If I make light of something and you think I shouldn't have, accept that it's going to happen and understand that I don't write for the express purpose of making YOU angry, because lets face it, you're not special. I write to entertain and chances are it was only a joke. So lighten up. With this mutually binding social contract and understanding, I think you will be entertained and I will enjoy a long and prosperous run as a writer for *The Flashlight*.

OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: Pretty "kissed" off

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

I read something interesting on www.eonline.com the other day. In Ted Casablanca's column, "The Awful Truth," he invited readers to weigh in on the hot topic right now - the Britney Spears/Madonna tongue tangle at the recent MTV Video Music Awards. Needless to say, the offer resulted in a deluge of mail and a string of rumors that the fun didn't end when the girls left the stage. But that's another story altogether.

One of his readers, a woman named Cathy, wrote in with this comment: "I'm not a particularly political person, but when I saw Madonna and Britney kiss, I screamed out loud in anger. Isn't it just great that they can do that? Did it move me and my partner of nine years one inch closer to being able to marry and enjoy legal benefits? Hell, no."

I missed the VMAs the first time around, but I read the article, "Britney would not kiss another woman besides Madonna" on CNN.com, which raved, "The pop star exchanged a prolonged, open-mouth kiss with the Material Girl during MTV's Music Video Awards show last week. 'I didn't know it was going to be that long and everything,' said Spears."

Which is why, when I finally got to see a rerun of the historically outrageous awards show, I was prepared to see some major tonsil hockey. I watched and waited - and couldn't believe my eyes when it happened. The "prolonged, open-mouth kiss" was nothing more than a swipe of the tongue to the beat of the music.

Yet, everyone from CNN to *The New York Times* has snatched up the story, fighting for interviews with Britney and polling Americans to find

out their take on the taboo smooch. Why is this such a big deal? And why is it being more openly accepted than any lesbian relationship?

Let's go back to Cathy's letter. She has a really good point there: it's not fair that the entire nation is absorbed in this two-second buss, but she can't live in holy matrimony, or even civil union, with someone she has loved for nine years. In today's world, where no one raises an eyebrow that Jennifer Lopez hasn't yet been able to stay married for more than two years, being faithful to someone for that long is quite a feat, one that deserves to be recognized as a legal union.

I completely agree with author Susan Jane Gilman when she writes in *Kiss My Tiara*, "My feeling is that if any two people are actually in love (i.e., insane) enough to want to commit to spend their entire lives together - if they're actually willing to assume legal and financial responsibility for each other until death do them part - well then, I say give 'em as much rope as they need."

Shouldn't we be supporting people who want to make that sort of commitment to each other? With the divorce rate holding steady at 52%, God knows this country could certainly use more devoted couples.

Now, I'm not saying that homosexual marriages can't fall victim to the same disasters that befall heterosexual couples. I'm saying: if a man and a woman can sign on to give this marriage thing a whirl, who are heterosexuals to deny a man and a man, or a woman and a woman, that same adventure?

Village Voice contributor Richard Goldstein drives this point home in his article, "The Radical Case for Gay Marriage": "Marriage won't change gay people, but merely affirm them as they are - and that, in all its profane glory, isn't so different from what straight people have become."

Letter to the Editor: Why censor?

Dear Flashlight staff, and particularly editors,

It has come to my attention that *The Flashlight* is making an effort this year to be as inoffensive as possible. This means that anything that makes its way into the paper will have to be censored and edited to an "acceptable" level. All of this in order to please the community. Well guess what! Life is not about pleasing everyone. In fact, you'll probably find that even in your efforts to not be offensive, some people will still be upset with you.

A friend of mine from another college had a column about relationships and sex. It was funny and very popular around campus. But if he tried to print one of his articles with this paper, he would be turned down flat. Or maybe you'd just tell him to "edit" it. I want to go to a college where students can say what

they want. I want to be in an unsanitized learning environment. I have the rest of my life to learn political correctness and conformity. And, frankly, I find it offensive that your editors have the power to determine what is acceptable and what might upset others. Is it really such a big deal if someone writes or calls to complain about something they saw in the paper? Obviously I feel there should be some restrictions, but don't take it too far.

And to those that are easily offended: Don't read a column or an editorial that looks like it might upset you! It is your CHOICE to read anything that is published in the paper. No one forces you to read it, so don't force others to abide by your standards of what is acceptable and what isn't.

-Sara Kauffman

Dear Sara:

No one agrees with you on this matter more than I do. After all, it was the language in my own column, "Random Ramblings," that caused the newspaper to be censored in the first place. I was infuriated that anyone would complain about my choice of words, and I had the same argument you did - if you think you'll be offended by it, then don't read it!

Unfortunately, as I quickly learned, that argument doesn't fly at a "real" newspaper, and for all intents and purposes that is what *The Flashlight* is. It is a springboard for those of us who plan to continue as journalists. We use entire issues of *The Flashlight* in our portfolios to illustrate our layout and writing abilities, and we need to have everything in those portfolios be professional.

I'm sorry you're offended that editors have the "power" to decide what goes

on in our newspaper, but that's the way it is in any newspaper anywhere. We make these choices as a group for the good of our publication, and we're doing things by the book so we don't jeopardize our future careers.

Sincerely,
Rachel Adams
Editor-in-Chief



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Letter to the Editor:

Why can't we download?

Regarding the attempts to stop file sharing:

I believe this is an infringement on our rights as students of the University. I agree with Beckman when she says, "It isn't IT's place to tell you you shouldn't do it." IT isn't. However, while we are "a small school [that] tend[s] to treat our citizens as adults," IT is, in effect, making it their personal responsibility to baby-sit us. Fortunately, I am neither a lawyer, nor a "Playstation major" so I cannot quote any new laws governing the sharing of music on the internet. What I'd like to know, is how many IT employees own videotapes of movies they've copied from a video rented at Take Two? I beg you to reminisce with me a moment, back to the day when it was illegal (yet very easy) to take those huge VCR tapes and make copies of your favorite movies. As soon as the technology became available though, nearly every home in America possessed this illegal contraband. The drama sur-

rounding illegally copied videotapes, at one point, heightened to virtually the same level as the ensuing music issue.

History has shown that era's storm to be short though, and the common dinner-table discussions carrying it have been thrown out with the leftovers. This is, however, a new era, an age when technological advances occur more frequently and fervently, a time where information freedom is reaching commendable levels. As students of the University caliber, I am certain you understand the immense need to both express and to have a venue, a stage for that expression, as with every other living soul in the world. Nowadays, that stage is live, packed with all the equipment you could dream and available to the world at a fidelity that is continually being refined. It is only a matter of time before the freedom to access this wealth of knowledge and expression becomes universally available.

What I question once again is

IT's role in assisting RIAA. Reemphasizing the fact that I have not taken the time to research the legality of this issue, it would seem that IT is making leaps and bounds to cooperate with RIAA. While we, as students, are informed that IT will "protect students to the extent that they are abiding by the law," I question the sincerity of this statement. I mean, it's one thing to have the information requested by RIAA, but it's another entirely too simply volunteer that information. It has come to my attention that other universities, such as The Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Boston University have gone to court in order to protect students' identities. I wonder what freedoms and rights those students have that we're not privy to enjoying. If I may be so bold, it seems the IT Dept. has become the tattletale of the University playground, so while the world continues to download and enjoy their favorite songs, MU students are forced to listen to the sounds of silence.

The truth is, the technology is there and it is advancing rapidly. RIAA's attempt to stop illegal music transfer, in my opinion, is a futile one. Ideas, be they heard, seen, or read should be made available to anyone who takes the time to benefit from them. Still, while finishing this letter, I begin to ponder how long it will be before you must buy a Van Gogh in order to enjoy viewing the masterpiece.

-Brian Carl

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SGA Update:

A letter from the president

Hello, Mansfield University! My name is Jeff Howe, and I am the president of the Student Government Association (SGA). SGA consists of 35 students, including traditional, non-traditional, freshmen and transfer students. Our purpose includes promoting school pride, promoting the growth of university life and to serve as a conduit from students to faculty and administration.

This year, we will be working on numerous issues that affect campus life, such as student apathy, campus safety, student activities and other important concerns. Also, freshmen and transfer students will have the opportunity to elect their classmates into a seat in the SGA Senate. All freshmen and transfer students are encouraged to apply. All applications must be handed in by 4 p.m. next

Wednesday at 516 North Hall (the office of Vice President for Student Affairs Shari Clarke). Elections will be held in front of the campus bookstore between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Sept. 24 and 25. If there are any questions, you can contact any SGA officer at the SGA office, x4984.

SGA will also be holding a raffle that will honor the Outstanding Mother and Father of the Year for Parents' Day. The drawing will take place at Saturday's football game, and the winners will receive a gift certificate to the campus bookstore. Tickets are free and can be obtained from any SGA senator.

SGA meetings are held at 9:15 p.m. every Monday evening in room 317 of the HUB. All students, faculty and staff members are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

POLITICS AND OPINION:

Remember 9/11/01

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

Tomorrow is the second anniversary of the terrorist attacks that forever changed our nation and the world. Before 9-11-01, we had become accustomed to a life of relatively minimal risk. Now, as a result of the actions of a few dozen zealots who used planes as missiles, we have lost our blanket of security. Perhaps we were naïve to believe that as the world's only remaining superpower we were invincible to the threats of a very hostile world. Our current president has made some drastic mistakes in trying to recoup this so-called blanket of security, as have many before him.

The unilateralist stance of the Bush Administration has only estranged the United States from our European allies, and created an even wider rift in relations between the West and the nations of the Middle East. In our inter-connected world, a foreign policy of "either you're with us or against us," is

dangerous in its precept, especially for a world power. In the end, I suppose it all boils down to politics as usual. One thing is for sure, and that is we owe it not only to ourselves, but to those men and women who perished in the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and remote field in Western Pennsylvania to try and bring about a peaceful resolution to the many conflicts and problems in the world. It is our awesome duty and burden as the only remaining superpower to do so.

I would like to encourage you to take some time tomorrow, and reflect upon the blessings of this great nation, and the freedom she bestows upon us. Take time to think about or pray for those brave souls who were taken from us on that horrible day in September. Also pray for our leaders and the brave men and women in uniform fighting to defend the ideals that make this nation great. God bless America!

Hot Topic of the Week: The Kobe Cam

Court TV at its worst

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

"Court rules specifically prohibit cameras at pretrial hearings in criminal cases except for initial advisements and arraignments," Eagle County Judge Frederick Gannet said.

And the court rules fair. Kobe Bryant's case is already a media-frenzy as it is. For what? Honestly, this case is NO WHERE NEAR the extent of the O.J. Simpson trial. He was accused of a double homicide. Kobe is accused of something he says "was consensual." (Note: I won't dive into Bryant's accuser's personal life; it is miniscule to the case at this point.)

Cameras used during the O.J. trial led to a hysteria that eventually took away from the actual case. Remember Cato Calin's emotional and over-exaggerated testimony. After all, he was what they refer to as a *starving artist* or, more like it, a wanna-be actor. I know I don't want to go through anything like that again, do you? Besides, there are more important things to concentrate on like the war in Iraq where we lose a few military men and women everyday.

I breathed a sigh of relief when the ruling was made by Gannet that cameras would be banned from the courtroom during Kobe's preliminary trial on Oct. 9. Associated Press Writer Jon Sarche reported that the Rocky Mountain News, The Denver Post and Court TV made the request for the cameras in the court room. Great. Court TV can create a reality show or a spin-off of the Kobe case. It is just what we all need.

What strikes me as odd about this case is Gannet allowed cameras during Bryant's first hearing. All we did was listen to his charge and stare at the back of Kobe's head and his attorney Pamela Mackey. That was really fun; I thoroughly enjoyed it. Bryant's only response was, "No, Sir." It was so good it made a headline in the New York Post.

Chris Beall, a Denver attorney who represents news organizations like the Los Angeles Times commented that he "was not surprised by the ruling."

This case has grown into an outrageous circus thanks to some -off-the-wall media. We'll deal with that one day at a time until the trial. I'm just thankful our first step was saying no to the "Kobe Cam."

Do we really need another O.J.?

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

First we had O.J. Then came Ray Lewis. Then shot out Jayson Williams (no pun intended). Now we have NBA pretty boy Kobe Bryant. Yes Kobe Bryant, the same Kobe Bryant that led the Lakers to three straight NBA Championships has been added to the bad guy image list of athletes.

We all know the story. Kobe gets accused of rape. Kobe gets charged with rape. Now we get to see the whole Kobe trial...wait no we don't. It's official, America will not be able to see the Kobe trial on TV like O.J. Boo hoo. Cry me a river and build me a bridge and get over it people. There are other exciting things on TV rather than Kobe Bryant.

Remember how exciting the first court appearance was. We saw the back of Kobe's head, and he muttered just two words, "No Sir." Wow, that's Emmy award winning TV right there. I'm so disappointed that his trial won't be televised. I really am.

Remember years back, say about seven years ago when nothing was on the TV other than the O.J. Simpson trial. Do we really need another OJ debacle. That was a media circus from the very beginning. Granted its not every day a Hall of Fame football player is charged with murder. If OJ was a janitor at a local high school his case would have never made it to TV. Judge Judy would have that taken care of in one hour.

I agree with the decision by Eagle County Judge Frederick Gannet in not allowing cameras in the Kobe trial. This will allow Kobe to have a fair trial and take the attention off of him. Just look at former NBA star Jayson Williams who is on trial for murder. No cameras allowed, and no one has heard anything about him since the incident.

This is what we need with the Kobe trial. Inform us when a verdict has been set and then cover it. There are more entertaining and important things on TV. For the past few months its been Kobe this and Kobe that. What about the start of the NFL season or the baseball pennant race? Even Martha Stewart or the famous Lizzie Grubine? Enough with Kobe. Thank you Judge Gannet for making a smart move and not allowing cameras in the courtroom. All it would have brought was a media circus and agida to those involved in the case.

This Week In Sports: Bring on the NFL

By KIRK MILLER

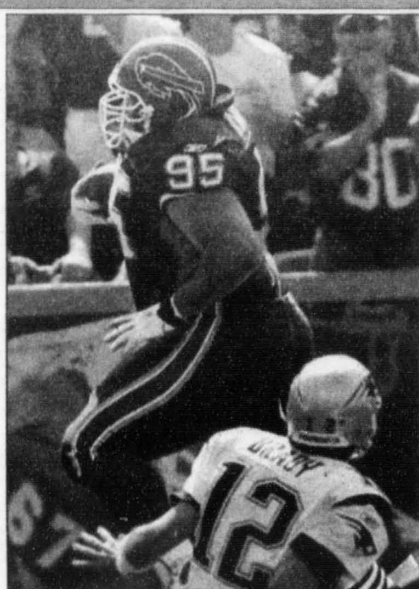
Flashlight Sports Writer

This week in sports, the 2003-2004 NFL season got underway with the Washington Redskins taking on the New York Jets at Washington's own FedEx Field.

The new season began with an upset as the Redskins beat the Jets, 16-13 on Sept. 4 night in Landover Maryland. The game was tied in the fourth quarter before former Jet Jon Hall kicked the game winning 32 yard field goal with five seconds remaining in the game.

Another close game was played Sunday on Sept. 7 between the Indianapolis Colts and the Cleveland Browns which saw the Colts win 9-6 on kicker Mike Vanderjagt's 45 yard field goal, his third of the game, as time expired.

The days upsets included a 21-20 win by the Houston Texans over the heavily favored Miami



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Defensive tackle Sam Adams of the Buffalo Bills helped in 31-0 slaughter over New England.

Dolphins, a 23-13 defeat of the high powered offense of the St. Louis Rams by the New York Giants and a rare loss to a divisional foe at home for the Green Bay Packers who fell 30-25 to the

Minnesota Vikings.

Second year running back Clinton Portis, of the Denver Broncos, rushed for 120 yards on 24 carries to help his team past the Cincinnati Bengals 30-10, while little known Anquan Boldin caught ten balls for 217 yards and two touchdowns in his Arizona Cardinals loss to the much improved Detroit Lions. One other notable performance came from Jacksonville Jaguars veteran quarterback Mark Brunell: 23 completions on 27 attempts for 272 yards, despite a frustrating one point loss to the Carolina Panthers, 24-23.

Other scores were as follows; the Atlanta Falcons beat the Dallas Cowboys, under new head coach Bill Parcells, 27-13. The Pittsburgh Steelers clobbered the Baltimore Ravens by 19, winning 34-15. The Kansas City Chiefs beat the San Diego Chargers 27-

14 in a mini upset while the Seattle Seahawks bested the New Orleans Saints 27-10.

The remaining two afternoon games were blowouts say the very least. Tom Brady of New England led the way for a Bills win with four interceptions as Buffalo defeated the Patriots 31-0. Keeping in time with Brady's play was the Chicago Bears free agent acquisition, quarterback Kordell Stewart. He guided his team to a mere seven points against the San Francisco 49ers who scored 49 points.

The night game was played between the reigning AFC champions the Oakland Raiders and the perennial favorites the Tennessee Titans. The game was hard fought with neither team leading by more than nine points at any given time. The Titans took the lead on punter Craig Hentrich's 49 yard



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The New York Giant's defense had much to celebrate in a 23-13 win over the St. Louis Rams.

field goal, to end the first half, and never relinquished it. Hentrich took on place kicking duties when teammate and regular kicker Joe Nedney went down, in the second quarter, with a sprained knee.

Soccer defeats Juniata, ties with Felician College

By CHAD LANDERS
Flashlight Sports Writer

For a team in its second year of existence, the Mansfield University women's soccer team sure doesn't play like it.

After two games into the 2003 soccer season, the Mounties are already off to a better start than last years inaugural season. The Mounties' record stands at 1-0-1.

On Aug. 29, the Mounties shutout Juniata College, 2-0 in their season opener.

Behind an excellent goalkeeping performance from sophomore Julie Miller, the Mounties avenged a 3-1 loss to Juniata College last year. Added to Julie Miller's first career shutout were two goals scored by freshman Erin Drum and sophomore Megan Colbey.

Scoring the first goal of the season for the Mounties, Drum was assisted by sophomore Jamie Heller and senior Val Shaw. In the second half of the game, Colbey received assists from freshman Vanessa Wengen and Drum.

The Mounties' performance greatly impressed head coach Tim Dempsey.

"Our goalkeeping was excellent today," said Dempsey. "Erin, Vanessa and Megan really played well for us too. I also thought Amy Dominick was a big lift for us off the bench."

The Mounties were set to play



SPORTS INFORMATION
Jamie Heller (19) assisted in Erin Drum's first goal of the season.

on Sept. 2 against Lycoming College, but had the game cancelled instead.

On Sept. 6 the Mounties traveled to Felician College in New Jersey. After another impressive game, the Mounties returned home with a 0-0 tie. This time from freshman goalkeeper Nicole Rodweller had a strong goal keeping performance. Rodweller recorded her first collegiate shut out facing six shots on goal.

Dempsey felt that the game was theirs to win. "It was an even game in the first half, but we definitely controlled the game in the second half," Dempsey said.

"Felician's keeper made some excellent saves and we just couldn't put one in the net."

With Miller playing the Mounties' first game and Rodweller playing the Mounties' second game, it would seem that there's a goalkeeper controversy. However, that's not the case for the Mounties according to Dempsey.

"These ladies are equally talented, they work hard and will both get an opportunity to prove themselves in games," Dempsey said.

Overall, the Mounties are extremely young and extremely talented this year. The big challenge for the Mounties this year will be how fast the team learns to play at the physical level of the PSAC. Dempsey feels that the Mounties are a lot faster and possess more depth this year, but his upperclassmen need to step up and become leaders on the team.

Two players that Dempsey hopes will step up this year are Colbey and Heller. Along with the excellent defensive unit for the Mounties and the incredible tandem of goalkeepers, Dempsey sees this as a very promising season.

The Mounties begin their tough PSAC schedule at Slippery Rock University on Sept. 10 and follow that up visiting Millersville University on Sept. 13.

Buffalo State game denoted as 3rd annual Palmer Pig Skin Classic

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It seems like it was only yesterday when the Mansfield Mountaineer football team took the field against the Bombers of Ithaca College just two years ago.

The significance is not the game itself, but it was the start of something much more important. It was the start of the Josh Palmer PigSkin Classic.

It was an emotional day at Van Norman Field on the day of Sept. 15, 2001. With a pregame moment of silence for the victims of the tragic attacks on the world trade center, the atmosphere had emotion written all over it.

The game marked the first annual Josh Palmer Pig Skin Classic, and two years later it is still striving in success.

This upcoming football game against Buffalo State marks the third annual Pig Skin Classic. In the past T-shirts were sold and football memorabilia was raffled off.

This year T-shirts will be available for 12 dollars and will allow free admission into the Mounties football game against Buffalo State. Proceeds of the T-shirts will go to the Josh Palmer Fund for area youth cancer victims.

There will also be two raffles at the game as well. The first raffle will be for a signed NIL game ball by Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb.

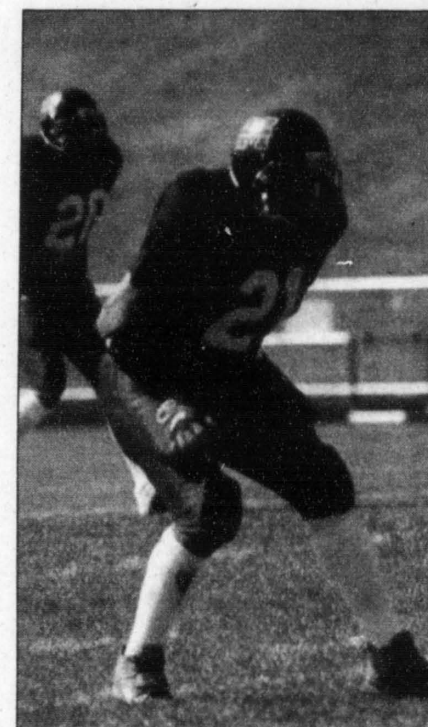
The second raffle will consist of many NIL and college memorabilia such as:

*Miami Dolphins signed pennant by Jamar Fletcher.

*Signed photos of Pittsburgh Steelers, Tom Maddox and Hines Ward.

*NIL football signed by the New York Jets.

*NIL footballs signed by Cleveland Browns Andre Davis



Sports Information
Josh Palmer played for the Mounties in 2000.

and San Diego Chargers Tim Dwight.

*Mansfield 2003 autographed footballs and other memorabilia will be raffled off.

The Pig Skin Classic is one of many fund raising events of the Josh Palmer Fund. Other events include 'The Pepsi/Coaches vs Cancer Elmira Holiday Tournament. The fund also started a new fund raiser called Josh's Walk against Cancer.

Last December, Palmer graduated with a bachelor's degree in education/social studies. He is teaching at Elmira Free Academy and is coaching football and basketball at Elmira Southside High School.

Today, the Josh Palmer fund has continued to grow and now supplies assistance to local hospitals, cancer care centers and awards scholarships.

For more information on the Josh Palmer Fund and its fund raising activities, check online at www.jpalmfund.org.

Information from this article was obtained by the Mansfield University Sports Information office.

This Week in Mountie Sports

Mansfield Sports Weekly	Wednesday 9/10	Thursday 9/11	Friday 9/12	Saturday 9/13	Sunday 9/14	Monday 9/15	Tuesday 9/16
Cross Country				PSU Away			
Field Hockey	Slippery Rock 4 p.m.			Lock Haven Away 1 p.m.			Shippensburg 4 p.m.
Football				Buffalo State 1 p.m.			
Soccer	Slippery Rock Away			Millersville Away			

On The Sidelines: Julie Miller

By MIKE PETERS

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield University soccer team is with twelve returning players on the squad for the 2003 season.

The team will have to rely on experience to lead them to the goal. Mounties sophomore standout Megan Colbey is back with the team. She will be trying to improve on her team leading 15 points last season. While Colbey is shooting for the goal down field, she will be hearing the voice of a leader in the backfield.

Julie Miller is beginning her second season as the Mounties goalie. After gracing the nation with a record and a feature in Sports Illustrated, she will do the same with Mansfield University with her presence on the field of battle.

Five games into the season last year, Miller went down with a leg injury. After rehabbing for 11 months, she is back and ready to lead these women into the PSAC. Miller and her teammates have something to prove to the rest of the division. She is setting her sights on success and anyone who stands in her way will pay the price.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Julie Miller: I am a sophomore Criminal Justice major.

MP: What made you choose Criminal Justice?

JM: I really like it. I think that a lot of it is very interesting. I want to go into forensics.

MP: Why did you decide to come here to Mansfield?

JM: I came here for a couple of reasons. I was recruited for soccer, and it is pretty close to home.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides soccer?

JM: My favorite sport besides soccer is probably basketball. I really get into team sports.

MP: When did you start to play soccer?

JM: I started playing soccer when

I was five-years-old. I watched my older brother play and I really liked it. I like being active and aggressive. With soccer, I have to be both.

MP: Were you always a goalie?

JM: No, I was not always a goalie. When I started to play, I was a goalie, but I played on the field a lot during middle school. Once I got into high school, I started playing in goal again.

MP: Why did you choose to be a goalie?

JM: Initially, I didn't choose to be a goalie. No one else wanted to be the goalie, so I was stuck there. I grew to like it, but it is not my favorite position.

MP: Have you won any awards?

JM: Well, I hold the national record for saves. I was in Sports Illustrated because of that record. It was a mix between good goal tending and bad defense.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the soccer team?

JM: My favorite part about being on the soccer team is probably all of the relationships that I have with my teammates.

MP: How often do you practice?

JM: We practice just about every day from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. We have Sundays off. Sometimes we have a deal, if we win the next game; we won't have practice the next day. Pre-season is the worst. There are times where we have three practices a day. It can be very intense.

MP: How are you recovering from your injury last season?

JM: Well, I pulled my meniscus and blew out my ACL in the fifth game of the season. I began rehab the day after I had surgery. The day after surgery, I had to be on a machine that bent my leg 90 degrees. It really hurt, but it was worth it. I have been rehabbing my knee from the time I got hurt, through now. I am ready to play, just in time for the season to start.

MP: What keeps you going strong?



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JM: The different reactions that I get from people keep me going. I am used to getting comments like "You're the goalie, you're lazy." I don't like that. On the other hand I get compliments if I make a save. I just love to hear what people have to say.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

JM: I just made one up this year. Before our first game, I hit the goal posts. I jump up, hit the top, and then hit the sides with my hands. If we lose next time, I'll figure something else out.

MP: What one thing you learned from playing soccer that you will carry on with you in your future?

JM: I have learned how to work together with people as a team. I have learned that previous history needs to be left off the field.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

JM: In ten years, I hope to have a job as a state police officer. I am not sure which state yet. I would like to be happy and successful.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

JM: My favorite saying is "everything's alright in the end, and if it's not alright, it's not the end."

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

JM: I think that we will do really well this year. We have a lot of good freshman. Many people say, "Oh they have a lot of freshman, they won't be good." Well, our freshmen are very good. They look like they have been playing in college for a while. We are going to surprise people this year.

Everybody's hometown team

The Altoona Curve prove baseball is still America's favorite pastime

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

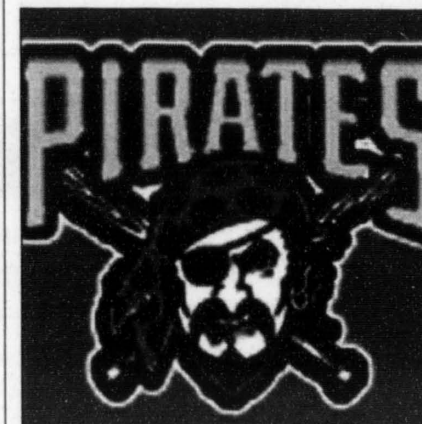
COMMENTARY

One. Two. Three strikes you're out at the old ball game.

There was a time when I felt the boys of summer and cracker jacks were sadly becoming a thing of the past. The days when fans ate, slept, and dreamt about baseball slowly started to diminish when Major League Baseball went on strike in 1994.

Fans drifted away because some players and owners only envisioned dollar signs. The love of the game was transforming into a thick and blinding haze of greed. The exciting pennant chase and wild card race were masquerading as salary and contract disputes among players and teams. What happened to playing for the fans, the passion? That feeling was drowning in a pool of memories until it resurfaced over this past Labor Day Weekend.

Ladies and gentleman, welcome to Blair County Ballpark, the home of Everybody's Hometown Team - the Altoona Curve. I visited Altoona with two close friends of mine, one of whom actually lives in Altoona. In a spur of the moment decision, we decided to see a Curve

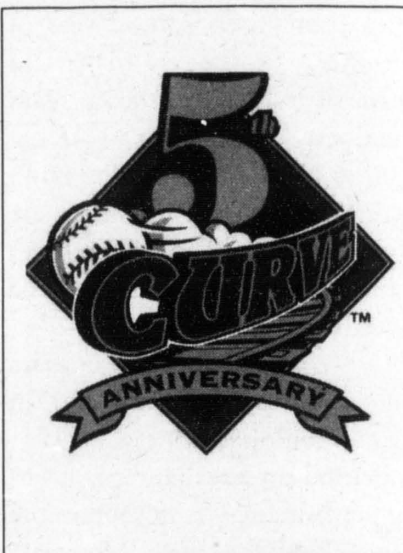


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The Curve are part of the Pittsburgh Pirates' affiliate system.

game thanks to several free tickets.

The Curve are part of the Eastern League AA baseball association. The league was established in 1923, and the Curve are currently celebrating their fifth anniversary



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The Altoona Curve are commiserating with a fifth season in Easter League AA baseball, in the league as an affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

That evening, I had my Curve experience, and they played host to the Erie Sea Wolves (Detroit Tigers). I honestly never thought I would have as much fun as I did at this game. I've seen my fair share of Major League games, and the Curve game stand out as one of my favorites.

The Curve have a true family-oriented stadium, mainly targeting children and families, which is an aspect a lot of sporting events lack these days. I think this is great. The players really loved their fans, and that is one thing you don't find very often in this era of baseball.

Blair County Stadium had a very different atmosphere from what I originally expected. It was more refreshing than anything. It's obvious that Curve players like catcher J.R. House and infielder Joe Caruso don't make the big bucks such as Alex Rodriguez. You can obviously tell it doesn't bother them because of their demeanor on the field as well as when they are just sitting off to the side in the dugout between innings.

Putting smiles on the crowd's faces is what they care about. And a smile is what we all had. Win or lose, there is still an ounce of baseball spirit out there.

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Mansfield offense a no show in opener

Mounties shutout by Bryant, drop heartbreaker to Kutztown

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

After weeks of preparation and training, the day finally came.

The bus for Bryant College arrived just a little after noon. Minutes later, the Mansfield University field hockey team came through the gates on a bright sunny day at Spaulding field and got together at midfield before warming up.

As time went by, the Mountie faithful filed in along with family and friends as the stands filled.

It was 12:50 when the horn sounded and the team huddled up before the pre-game introductions. Minutes later the public address announcer could be heard through the hills of Mansfield welcoming everyone to Spaulding Field for the season opener between the Bull Dogs of Bryant College and your Mansfield Mountaineers.

Within minutes, the start of something big was about to take the field. The Mounties were very familiar with their opponent.

Last season, Mansfield fell to the Bull Dogs, 5-0. This game had revenge written all over it for both teams. Bryant College played the Huskies of Bloomsburg prior to their visit to Mansfield and lost 7-0.

With the players set and ready to go, the officials blew the whistler to make the opening official.

Less than five minutes into the game, Bryant College's Elizabeth Gunn scored the games first goal to give the Bull Dogs a 1-0 lead.

Ten minutes later, the Bull Dogs added to their lead as Erin Hoffman assisted Michaela Dwyer with a goal to expand the lead to two.

Bryant College was were rocket and firing at the Mounties senior goalie Heather Long, who had a game high of 20 saves. In the first half alone, the Bull Dogs out shot the Mounties 10-0 and weren't done there.

"It's a matter of us working together and work the ball out of the

circle, Long said on the Mounties shots against total. "The offense and defense needs to work together, it's not just a defense thing."

During the second half of play the Bulldogs came out firing out shooting Mansfield, 22-1.

Gunn tacked on another goal with 21:45 remaining on the clock to expand the Bull Dog lead to 3-0.

The Mounties were unable to get anything going offensively as they were held to just one shot on goal. With just about a minute



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(Above) The Mounties goalie Heather Long (3) recorded 20 saves in Mansfield's 4-0 loss to Bryant College. (Below) Freshman Alissa Gallagher scored the lone goal in the Mounties 2-1 heart breaker to Kutztown.

to play, the Bull Dogs' Heidi Chirigotis scored a goal to add on to the lead. The Mounties fell to Bryant College, 4-0.

After a tough loss to Bryant College the Mounties traveled south to take on the Golden Bears of Kutztown.

The game was scoreless for the majority of the first half until Kutztown's Lauren McCabe scored off a pass from Ciara Borden with 2:10 remaining in the first half.

The score would remain 1-0 half way through the second half when Mounties' freshman Alissa Gallagher scored to tie the game at 1-1 and send it into overtime.

The Golden Bears' Erin Livingston scored the game winning goal as the Mounties dropped a heart breaker to Kutztown.

"The first half it seemed our hearts weren't in it, but in the second half we were a new team," junior Christine Thiers said. "We came out with so much aggressiveness. We shifted around our position players and that seemed to work well. The game was so intense in the second half."

The Mounties will play host to Slippery Rock University 4 p.m. today at Spaulding Field.

"We just need to pick it up a

notch," junior Ashley Celaschi said. "We're such a young team, we need to mold and play together."



Mounties Donati named PSAC Defensive Player of the Week



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield University sophomore defensive tackle Mike Donati was named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Defensive Player of the Week.

Donati had an outstanding performance in the Mountaineers 20-0 win over the Bull Dogs of Bowie State on Sept. 5. Donati was credited with a team high nine tackles which including 2.5 for a loss of yardage. He also recorded a sack and batted a pass down.

Last season, Donati finished the year with 31 tackles, two sacks and forced a fumble.

The shutout was the first for the Mountaineers since the 1996 season when they shut out Cheyney University, 14-0.

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Steelers @ Chiefs	Steelers	Steelers	Chiefs	Steelers	Steelers
49ers @ Rams	49ers	Rams	49ers	49ers	Rams
Texans @ Saints	Texans	Saints	Texans	Saints	Texans
Dolphins @ Jets	Dolphins	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets
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Browns @ Ravens	Ravens	Ravens	Browns	Ravens	Ravens
Seahawks @ Cardinals	Seahawks	Cardinals	Seahawks	Seahawks	Cardinals
Panthers @ Bucs	Bucs	Panthers	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs
Broncos @ Chargers	Chargers	Broncos	Chargers	Chargers	Broncos
Patriots @ Eagles	Eagles	Patriots	Patriots	Eagles	Eagles
Bengals @ Raiders	Raiders	Raiders	Bengals	Raiders	Raiders
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Mounties tame Bowie State

Mansfield records first shutout since 1996 season

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

Last season, the Mansfield University football team played in six games decided by eight points or less.

That suspense was put on the back burner in this season opener, as the Mounties cruised to a 20-0 victory over the Bowie State Bulldogs on Sept. 6.

The defense, which changed from a 4-3 front last season to a 3-4 front this season, showed off its new defensive scheme, allowing only 144 total yards to Bowie State and producing Mansfield's first shutout since 1996.

Bowie State's best scoring opportunity came on its opening drive. On the first play from scrimmage Bulldog quarterback Lamar Manigo connected with wide receiver Bakari Brown on a 31-yard gain. Bowie State pushed the ball down to the Mountaineer 14 yard line before the Mansfield defense stepped up. The Mounties' safety Joe Frick forced Manigo to fumble, and the recovery by Mansfield nose guard Brian DeCecco brought the Bowie State

"The fumble was important for many reasons. Obviously keeping them out of the end zone was key, but more importantly our defense showed a resolve through adversity that we look for in our program. They found a way to get off the field."

-Coach Chris Woods

drive to an end.

Mountaineer head coach Chris Woods saw the fumble as an important play," Woods said. "The fumble was important for many reasons," Woods said. "Obviously keeping them out of the end zone was key, but more importantly our defense showed a resolve through adversity that we look for in our program. They found a way to get off the field."

Midway through the first quarter, the Mounties got all the points they would need, when quarterback Travis Motley connected with Joe Bennett

on a 19-yard touchdown pass to cap a 44 yard drive. Mansfield led 6-0 at the end of first quarter.

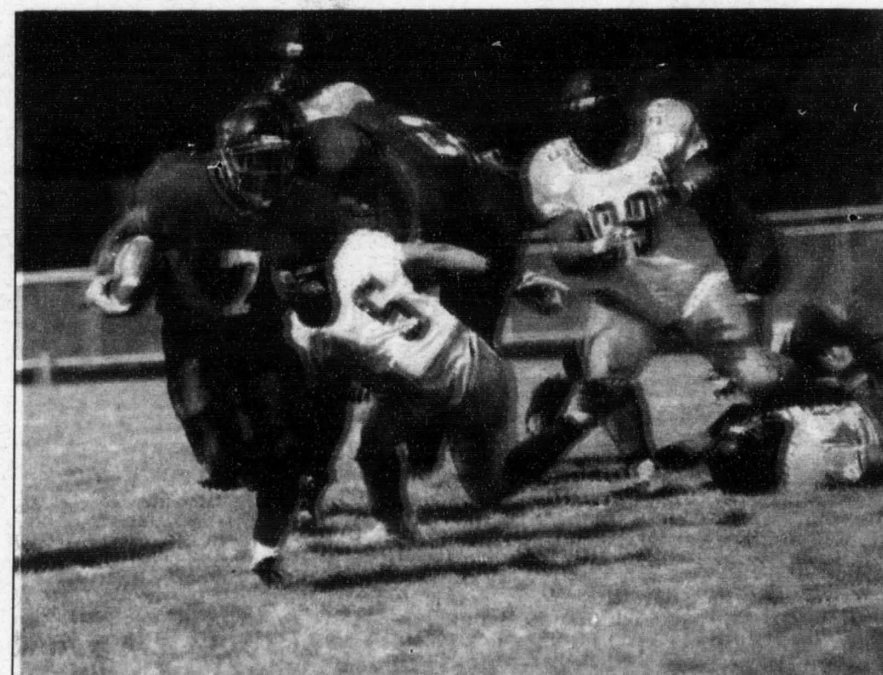
The Mountaineers extended their lead to 12-0 when Motley found tight end Eddie Van Buren open in back right corner of the end zone for a 23 yard touchdown pass. The score remained 12-0 at halftime, but the Mounties delivered the knockout punch right off the bat in the second half.

The Mountie offense followed up a 24 yard kickoff return by Pre-Season All-American linebacker Dan Holland with a 50 yard drive, which ended with Motley's third touchdown pass of the afternoon, a 21 yard pass to Dan Bennett.

Bennett caught two passes for 36 yards and a touchdown, but the big day in the receiving corps came from his brother Joe. He caught 5 balls for 104 yards and a touchdown. Eddie Van Buren also contributed with 2 catches for 41 yards and a touchdown.

Freshman Earnest McNeal, a transfer from Bowling Green, made his impact felt immediately, catching one ball and rushing 13 times for 48 yards. Jason Roscoe led the rushing game with 69 yards on 22 carries.

Motley, who finished 10 of 31 for 191 yards, three touchdowns and an interception, credited the running game for helping to create



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mounties Jason Roscoe had 22 carries for 71 yards against Bowie State this past Saturday.

Mansfield's offensive balanced attack. "We were able to establish the running game and once we were able to do that, it opened up a lot of things for us in the passing game," Motley said.

Mansfield added two more when the Bowie State long snapper sent the ball over the punter's head and through the back of the end zone to make the score 20-0. That was more than enough for the Mountaineers defense, and all that remained was whether or not the Mounties would record the shutout.

The Mounties were up to the task, as they did not allow Bowie State beyond midfield the rest of the game. It was Mansfield's first shutout since the second to last game in 1996, when they blanked Cheyney, 14-0.

Coach Woods was impressed, but not shocked, by the shutout.

"We always have a shutout goal for a segment of every game," Woods said. "Shutting out an opponent is such a team effort, not just the defense. You have to have ball securi-

ty on offense and execute in the kicking game. We did what it took to keep a very talented team out of the end zone."

Defensive tackle Mike Donati and Holland had five and a half tackles each and Donati added a fumble recovery and sack. Ronnie Montgomery also contributed six and a half tackles and an interception for the Mountie defense.

Next up, the Mountaineers face Buffalo State. The Mounties defeated the Bengals 20-19 last year, but trail in the overall series 3-2. Coach Woods expects Buffalo State to pose quite a few challenges.

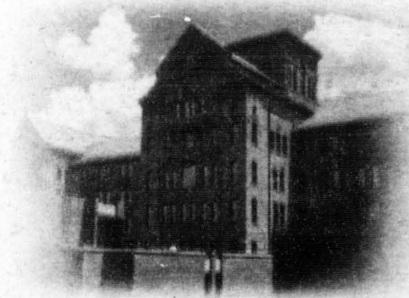
"They excel at special teams and play extremely hard," Woods said. "They give a lot of looks on defense and like to pressure the offense into mistakes if you allow it by playing passively. On offense, they are more balanced than Bowie State and can hurt you with the run and pass."

The Mounties next game is 1 p.m. Saturday at Van Norman Field where they will host Buffalo State.



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Mounties Travis Motley threw for 191 yards and three touchdowns in the Mounties win this past Saturday.



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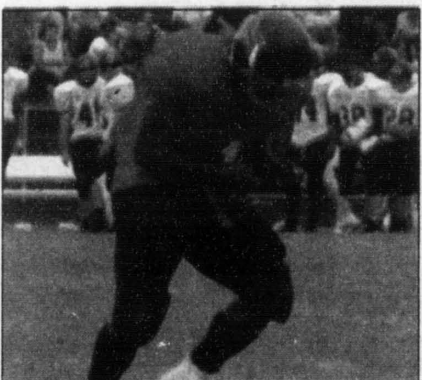
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Look out below: skydiving to hit Mansfield

BY KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

This Friday, September 19, Mansfield University students will have the opportunity to skydive over Clinton Street beginning at 11:00 a.m. The event is free for students, and is expected to last several hours.

The program, which has been offered at the university twice before, has proven to be popular. The special event was scheduled to take place last year, but due to rain, was postponed to a later date. That later date is now, this Friday. With a promising weather forecast in store, a successful turnout is expected.

The simulated skydiving activity is actually created with the help of an enormous fan. The

participant lies in a stream of air, and is blown upwards. Wearing a special jumpsuit, the diver is restrained only by two people holding on from below. When the fan is slowed down and eventually stopped, the divers land in a large mesh net.

Height and weight do play a role in this activity.

"Lighter people soar higher and faster than heavier people," Clarence Crisp of the Student Activities Office said, "They were able to fly me a couple years ago, so I guess they're able to fly just about anybody."

Simulated Skydiving seems to have a safe record. The Student Activities Office has reported that they are unaware of any

injuries that have resulted from this activity.

"Any time you have machines around people, the potential for harm is there," Crisp said, "As far as their safety record, the company is one hundred percent. As of right now, nobody that has done it from here has been injured."

Although simulated skydiving may come with a clean bill of health, it is recommended that participants be aware of their own physical condition, and take that into consideration before partaking in the event. This excludes height and weight. Anyone can participate, regardless of size.

Skydiving has provided excitement for students at many

schools, including several universities throughout the nation.

The Skydiving will take place throughout most of the day, and is said to be very noisy.

"You won't be able to miss it," Crisp said. Because of the event's popularity, some waiting can be expected. "We'll see what the line looks like," Crisp said. "If there's not too many students in line, I'll get in too."



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Artwork by MU alumni featured in Mansfield gallery

By AMY KENDIG

Flashlight Writer

At a recent gallery opening in North Hall Library, artist Paul Bozzo astounded Mansfield local residents, faculty, and students with his textured paintings.

Paul Bozzo, a retired art teacher of thirty-one years from the W.L. Miller Elementary School in Mansfield, has been honored with many awards such as the Gmeiner's Regional Art Show and the First Citizen's Art Show.

Bozzo was among one of the seven students who were the first graduates of the Art Education Department

at Mansfield University.

His experience in art has led him to master the skill of mixed media with his textured style paintings and use of color.

"His textured surfaces are made by pressing tools, toys, and found objects into joint compounds, otherwise known as wet plaster, which he then spreads on the painting surface," Ms. Mardi Whitehouse, Mansfield University Gallery Director and Faculty Advisor of the Art Acquisitions and Art Exhibitions Committee of Mansfield University said.

Paul Bozzo's artistic style

impressed, as well as motivated; the audience at the gallery opening.

"I thought that the show was really beautiful and the way that he put the plaster and colors together were unique," Amy Evans, an Art Education Graduate Student at Mansfield University said, "Overall, I was very impressed by his artwork."

Accreditation for the set up, continuous management, and progressiveness of the art gallery goes to the Art Acquisitions and Art Exhibitions Committee of Mansfield University.

This committee has been under the advisement of Ms. Mardi Whitehouse for four years and it currently has ten members on the committee. The members dedicate themselves to maintaining the art work, setting up for gallery openings of new artists, and revising resumes and slides of artists who are interested in showcasing their work in the gallery.

Also, the members work in the gallery Monday through Friday

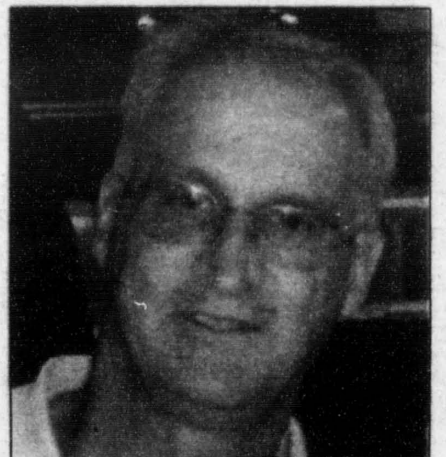
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to answer any questions that guests may have on the artwork.

The committee began about 25 years ago, and has been increasing the awareness of various art forms on campus ever since.

The next gallery opening will be from September 29 to October 31 in North Hall Library, first floor.

"We actively invite everyone to visit," Whitehouse said.

The featured artists will be Jon Laidacker and John Rodrigues. Their work is entitled "A Cure for the Common Conservative."



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Bozzo's art in the exhibit at the Mansfield Gallery.

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★ **The Political Science Club** will be holding its first meeting on Wednesday, September 17 at 4:30 in Pinecrest room #415. The club is open to all students regardless of political affiliation, and officer elections will be held at this meeting. Come check it out!

★ **The Mansfield Chamber of Commerce** is now in association with Trailways Bussing. Bus tickets are no longer purchased at Travel World, but may be purchased at the Chamber Office, located at 51B South Main Street between Mark's Brother's and the Guthrie Clinic. The bus will no longer be stopping at Wal-Mart, but will be picking up passengers directly in front of the Chamber Office. Office hours are 11-3, Monday through Friday. For more information contact the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce at 662-3442.

★ **A publication party for the 2003 issue of Edge City**, MU's student literary magazine, will be held Friday, September 26, from 4-6 PM at Jazzman's Café in the HUB. All are welcome to attend. Contributors to the magazine will give public readings of their poetry and prose. Refreshments and free copies of Edge City will be available. Sponsored by the Mu Xi Literary Society and the Student Activities Fee.

★ **Celebrate your freedom to read!** September 20-27 is Banned Books Week. The MU Xi Literary Society will host Public Readings from Banned and Challenged Books on Monday 9/22 thru Friday 9/26 from 12-2pm Outside the Student Center. All are welcome to participate. Sponsored by the Mu Xi Literary Society and The Student Activities fee. For more information visit www.ala.org/bbooks or contact Dr. Ulrich at X4585.

★ **Committee on Finance "At-Large Positions"** available. Applications can be picked up at the Student Affairs Office in 516 North Hall and Residence Life Office in 120 Pinecrest. Applicants must have earned at least 12 credits and have a minimum of a 2.225 GPA. Application deadline is Wednesday, October 1 at 4:00 p.m. Applications must be returned to Student Affairs Office at 516 North Hall.

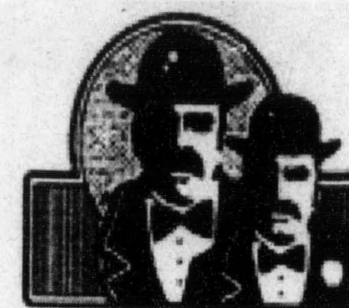
POLICE BEAT

September 7, 2003 - Consumption of an Alcoholic Beverage- Kristine Kelly, 19, was cited for underage consumption after several witnesses watched her kick multiple vehicles on Clinton Street. Other charges are pending.

September 10, 2003- Consumption of an Alcoholic Beverage- Matthew Brown, 19, Stephanie McQuay, 19, Andrew Tiffany, 20, Dustin Stroud, 19 and Dustin Platt, 22 have been Judicially Referred to Mike Lemasters for underage drinking after Police were called for a disturbance in Cedarcrest.

September 12, 2003- First Degree Misdemeanor- Unknown person(s) stole three text books valued at \$310 from the 6th floor of Maple.

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Phi Sigma Pi holds rush

BY EMILEE DANIELSON

Flashlight Writer

With the social Greek fraternities and sororities completing their recruitment efforts last week, Phi Sigma Pi, an academic honor fraternity on campus, will now be holding its own Rush period.

Phi Sigma Pi is a national academic honor fraternity that was founded on the basis of "scholarship, fellowship, service, and leadership," Jessica Evans, Phi Sigma Pi President, said.

Membership in Phi Sigma Pi is open to any male or female student that has between 12 and 60 credits. However, as an organization that is rooted in academic excellence, interested students must also have a Q.P.A. of at least 3.0.

Over the next two weeks, the brothers of Phi Sigma Pi will be hosting a variety of information nights, interview sessions, and performing service projects that will allow them to meet and recruit any student interested in membership in the fraternity.

Phi Sigma Pi has already held two information sessions on September 15 and 16 where students had the opportunity to meet the brothers and ask questions that they may have had about the organization.

Tomorrow, the brothers of Phi Sigma Pi will be holding interviews at 9:00 p.m. in room 307 in the HUB.

At that time, any interested students that were unable to attend the information sessions will have another opportunity to meet and interact with the brothers. At the interviews, students will also learn the details of upcoming recruitment events, including a service project planned for Monday, September 22.

Even with all of the work the brothers do in the classroom and on campus, there is definitely more to the brothers of Phi Sigma Pi than great grades and excellent community service.

"If you're looking for a family atmosphere Phi Sigma Pi is the place to come," Sarah Potteiger, Phi Sigma Pi Parliamentarian said, "this is a great group of people who instantly form a family. That is how I have always felt."

Those students who are interested in membership or have questions about the fraternity can contact either Jessica Evans at 662-1329 or, on campus, Sarah Potteiger at x4034.

Tutoring Center offers help to students

BY ERICA HUDOCK

Flashlight Writer

Underneath all the homework, time restraints, and financial burdens of a college education, it often seems like there is no one to help lift the heavy load when seeking to meet deadlines and attend meetings.

Contrary to popular belief, there is a group out there that can help. These people are part of the Mansfield University Tutoring Program under the sponsorship of the Academic and Human

Development Department. The best part of this opportunity is that there is no charge for the help in any of the many different branches of the organization. Many universities and colleges across the country sometimes charge as much as \$15 an hour for a study session.

The MU Tutoring Program has been around for several years with the solemn goal of helping students excel in the advanced college setting.

"Students can exchange knowledge with other students and vice versa," Tutoring

Program director Lou Labuski-Brown said. "This is an opportunity to go in and extract the material that you need."

With 26 different subjects ranging from math to psychology to foreign languages, students have little difficulty finding someone with help to offer. The program staffs approximately 50 MU students who enter into an application process and criteria screening to work as a tutor. Applications are accepted from any student who is interested and has a recommendation from the department of interest. Students must have completed the course and earned a 'B' grade or higher to be an accredited tutor. Each applicant will then take an 8 hour course in tutoring through the College Reading and Language Association (CRLA).

These tutors will be able to be contacted through a new online program called TutorTrac to make it "much easier for students to schedule appointments," Labuski-Brown said. A student's name or the course can be searched at

tutortrac.mnsfld.edu to find a tutor and make an appointment. Arrangements with these students can be done online or in the office located on the second floor of South Hall.

In addition to the tutoring program, Mansfield University offers Supplemental Instruction and assistance in the Writing Center. SI students attend certain classes, dealing mostly with math and science, and schedule study group times for the class to attend. While SI groups help with class assignments, the Writing Center tutors aid in writing and using computer technology. These tutors may also be contacted through the TutorTrac system.

With so many people working together toward the program, Labuski-Brown believes that with the new software, the program will be a great success and wishes to see even more students take advantage of this free opportunity.

"We have so many great students working for us. I'm so proud of what we are doing," Labuski-Brown said.

What in the world

BY CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

World News

Iraq- 8 Iraqi policemen and one Jordanian security guard were killed, and nine others wounded when U.S. troops opened fire in Fallujah. The incident was classified as a friendly fire incident. The soldiers were chasing a bandit, and mistakenly took the policemen as part of a group of men in cohorts with the man they were after.

Israel- The international community brunt sharp criticism upon Israel's threat to "remove" Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. The Israeli's moved immediately to avoid a sharp clash with the United States, saying "Arafat is an obstacle to peace in the region."

Great Britain- Archaeologists from the University of Newcastle have stumbled upon the first (underwater) evidence of Stone Age settlements in the country. The artifacts included tools and arrowheads which scientists say date back as far as 10,000 years.

The group plans on applying for additional funding to continue their research.



Durban, South Africa- A study by Conservation International (CI) and the UN Environmental Program has shown that a boom in world tourism is posing a huge threat to some of the planet's most sensitive ecosystems. The 25 areas, cover 1.4 percent of the earth's land area, and have all been drastically damaged by human activities.

National News

Washington, D.C.- The CIA has discovered a videotape and has determined that

a voice on it is more than likely that of fugitive (and mastermind of the 9-11 attacks on the U.S.) Osama bin Laden. Further technical analysis is being performed on the tape.

New York City- On September 23-24, President Bush will speak to his fellow world leaders at the opening of a two day meeting at the United Nations in New York. The United States will be pushing for a U.N. resolution authorizing a multinational force to help with reconstruction in Iraq. France, Germany and Russia have said they are opposed to the new U.S. version, because it limits the role of the U.N. President Bush, who recently has asked for upwards of \$68 billion to pay for the cost of reconstruction, has received sharp criticism from democrats and some in his party, for failing to be forthcoming to Congress and the American people in terms of the high cost of reconstruction of post-war Iraq.

Information taken from Yahoo! News and cnn.com

Annual Parent's Day at Mansfield celebrated

BY HILLARY GRUMBINE

Flashlight News Co-Editor

President Halstead had a reception Saturday morning on his lawn to kick off the annual Parent's Day.

Following the reception, parents and other guests were invited to have lunch at the President's home.

Before eating, the President spoke of the Mansfield community as a family and welcomed parents of Mansfield University students to that family.

"With all the students here we're pretty much a family. It's so nice to see so many show up and support their children. In the dining hall it was nice to see students bring their parents and parents getting to know other kids parents there. It's nice, I really like Parent's Day," Elizabeth Friedle, a band member, said.

Before the lunch was over, the band played some pieces from their half-time show and the MU cheerleaders performed as well.

Everyone invited to lunch also received tickets to the afternoon's football game vs. Buffalo State.

After lunch, parents of the band joined their children to march onto the field together while others headed for the stadium. Student Government Association's "Mother and Father of the Day" were announced during the game.

Throughout the day, parents were allowed to take advantage of some of the same things their children do. Kelchner Fitness Center was open for the day, as well as the Student Center so people could play pool and ping pong.

The Student Affairs office held an Open House that afternoon in 516 North Hall. Parents and students had the opportunity to meet with Student Affairs Directors and ask questions.

Maple renovations disturb residents, but not for long

BY PAM KLINE
Flashlight Writer

Renovations to Maple Residence Hall that began in the summer of 2002, are expected to be complete by the end of this week.

This will come as welcome to news to many of the students liv-

ing on the sixth floor of Maple A.

"The noise did not bother us so much," junior Adam Wakefield said. "But when chunks of concrete started falling from our ceiling, it started rubbing me the wrong way."

Residents have also expressed concern about the possibility of

debris entering rooms and other safety issues surrounding Maple construction while students were staying in the dorms.

After hearing several student complaints, the residence life staff worked with the contractors to make some changes. The workers were asked to start construction a little later in the day.

Another change that was made in the construction plan is when similar repairs are made at Pinecrest Residence Hall, the construction company will use a different method to reduce the amount of drilling- the cause of small pieces of the ceiling falling in some sixth floor dorms.

As far as debris goes, having the dumpster hanging just below the roof actually reduces the amount of debris students have to worry about. Instead of construction workers tossing refuse six floors down to the dumpster, it is immediately below them.

The inconveniences will be well worth the results. Over the summer, contractors finished painting, replacing windows, and cleaning up after last year's construction in Maple. New bathrooms were also installed to benefit students.

Maple is not the only residence hall to be receiving a facelift. Similar to renovations at Maple, Laurel A is getting new bathrooms, updated flooring and wall designs, and more controls in the rooms to allow students to adjust the temperature of their dorm room. If there is any extra money, residents may also see updated furnishings.

According to Mike Lemasters, Director of Residence Life, there should not be any work that prompts contractors to return once the initial project is finished. "When we originally did the proj-

ect [at Maple], it included the new roof and windows," Lemasters explained. "In order to get the bid, we had to remove those."

There were some funds left over, so Mansfield University decided to replace the roof as well.

Pinecrest will also be seeing construction in the near future.

The roofing work was originally scheduled to begin in the summer of 2004 however, the starting date has been moved up due to leaks.

Fortunately, this will not slow down any of the other construction projects because a different company will complete the other projects.

By completing Pinecrest's new roof now rather than continually patching the leaks, Mansfield will save money.

If the weather holds Maple A roofing will be completed by the end of this week.



SARAH STOERMER/THE FLASHLIGHT

The roof of Maple A still under construction.

Letter from Chancellor, Judy G. Hample

Dear Members of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education community,

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, I extend to you best wishes for the new academic year. More than 101,000 students have begun classes at our 14 universities, continuing the State System's distinction as the Commonwealth's largest provider of higher education.

This is an exciting time in the history of your university and the State System of Higher Education. Across our 14 campuses, university students, faculty, administrators and staff have focused their efforts on moving your university and our State System to even greater achievement. By reaching higher, we better provide students with exceptional educational experiences and learning opportunities. Achieving the next level of excellence also means we operate more efficiently, saving taxpayer dollars, keeping tuition affordable, and assuring that resources are directed to our core mission: quality higher education.

Together, we have made important progress over the past two years. We have taken steps

to assist students who choose to graduate in four years; to achieve professional accreditation for more of our academic programs, to improve the quality of student academic advising, to expand our investment in campus and classroom technology; to encourage more collaborative programs among the 14 universities and their faculty, and thereby create new opportunities for students; to establish academic programs in fields most in demand from Pennsylvania employers; to construct new campus facilities and renovate existing structures to enhance the living-learning environment, and, to form partnerships with communities surrounding our campuses to improve the economy and quality of life for all Pennsylvanians.

We have made this progress in the face of fiscal challenges unprecedented in the State System's history. While our enrollments continue to climb and our costs go up, our funding support from the Commonwealth has been cut. We will, in fact, receive less state funding in 2003-04 than we did five years ago. This year, even with a 5% increase in student tuition, a 5% cut in state funding has left us with a

\$40million budget shortfall for 2003-04. There will be budget cuts, which we all will feel. System administrators' and managers' salaries have been frozen for 2003-04. Negotiations with university employee unions include proposals for a wage freeze. Through all of this, each of our universities will continue to search for ways to reduce costs without adversely affecting student educational experiences. I encourage you to be engaged in those discussions on your campus.

As we look toward the future, we will embark this fall on the development of a new System-wide strategic plan. That plan will be our roadmap to higher levels of excellence and recognition for the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education as a leader among public higher education systems in the nation. Your input on the new strategic plan is important to the Board of Governors and me. Working together we can achieve our goals.

Have a great year.

Your Chancellor,
Judy G. Hample

Congratulations to the following Flashlight writers for being awarded "Article of the Week" for the September 10 issue:

NEWS:

Kelly Ann Murray- "Kelchner warns 'Go Before You Go'"

FEATURES:

Zach DuBord- "Jenna Jameson should reconsider"

SPORTS:

Mike Peters- "On the Sidelines: Julie Miller"

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The faculty association, APSCUF, is in difficult negotiations with the administration of the State System of Higher Education. The faculty has been working without a contract since June 30. The talks have dragged on since the spring, but the sticking point hasn't been salaries – in fact the two sides were fairly close in the August 29 negotiation session.

What's the real sticking point in negotiations?

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The Administration's proposals would:

1. **Increase class sizes dramatically.** One administrator admitted during negotiations that, "Large classes are cash cows." State System universities once enjoyed a national reputation for small class sizes. Our universities were known to value student-faculty contact – not with teaching assistants, but with the highest quality faculty.

That's when negotiations broke down. It is you and your parents that are being milked as cash cows.

Already the administration is trying to push up class size. One course at Bloomsburg has over 700 students in it. One at IUP has 435. APSCUF is fighting this trend with a proposal that would effectively limit class sizes.

2. **Replace professors in your science labs with graduate students, or "technically proficient personnel."** The administration never defines "proficient personnel" or their in-lab teaching qualifications.

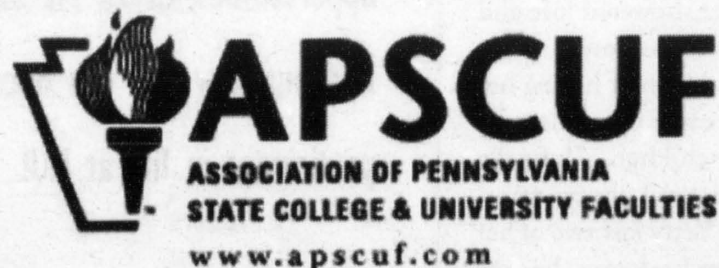
3. **Eliminate any caps on temporary instructors.** Four temporaries teaching four courses are usually less effective and committed than one full-time professor. Temporary faculty often have to have jobs at two or three institutions just to make a living. Many are fine teachers, but between their travel and their part-time status, temporary faculty cannot be as effective in teaching or especially advising the students as a full-time, tenure-track professor.

Don't believe everything the Chancellor says. If we as professors have done our jobs correctly, you'll look at all aspects of the situation, view all the statements and then use your own critical thinking. Talk with your professors and your family. Talk with your local administrators.

Make up your own mind. Your education, your future is at stake.

Their Position: <http://www.sshechan.edu/APSCUF/APSCUFweb.htm>

Our Position: <http://www.apscuf.com/edits/negotiationswebsite.htm>



PENNSYLVANIA'S OWN.

It's a 'Bettyful' day in the neighborhood

By JARED WYLIE
Special to the Flashlight

We all have a story in life. I believe this to be true. The woman behind the counter of your local convenience store has a story. Your neighborhood mailman, police officer or college professor has lived through his or her own journey, and chances are your local Wal-mart door greeter has a story too. True life is about living with adventure and then sharing your experiences with others.

Far too often do we allow our ignorance to shamefully leave stories of great triumph and inspiration untold. Well, I'm not about to shame myself by keeping the life of a woman we all know, but yet know so little about, to myself without sharing it with you. That would be



PHOTO BY HEATHER OISTER
Betty Borden-Updyke can often be seen waving from her South Academy St. porch.

selfish of me to deprive you of such an incredible woman.

Meet Betty Borden-Updyke, and she has a story. Betty, also commonly known as the charming young lady who graciously waves to every passerby from her front porch on South Academy Street, is certainly one of Mansfield's most respected and recognized celebrity neighbors. "I'm an open book! You get two people together then you got it all set," Betty said. And what a page turning book she is, proving that there is much more to the life of this woman behind her famous wave.

As I walked up the sidewalk to Betty's house I was greeted with a warmhearted smile that was equally as bright and charming as the beautiful flowers that line her porch. This would be my first time in four years of attending Mansfield University meeting this legendary woman, something I now deeply regret not meeting her sooner. Her presence is warm and inviting.

Born in 1917 in Clarence, Pa., Betty was raised in her house alongside five sisters. She grew up in a household that recognized the struggles of a tight income. Her mother "worked for the

rich." At age 10, Betty began working herself after school raking yards, washing dishes and pretty much "everything and anything," she said. Understanding the value of a good work ethic was a must in this family although love, not money, thrived.

At the young age of 16 Betty moved out of her family's home and soon, thereafter,

married her first husband. Although their marriage only lasted three years, she comically added, "I use to enjoy riding on the back of his motorcycle."

Marriage is a career in itself she explained. "I wouldn't recommend, marrying at a young age today," Betty said, "It just wouldn't work. Times are different. Tell children about college."

Betty has been married four times, had six children and has lived in the towns of

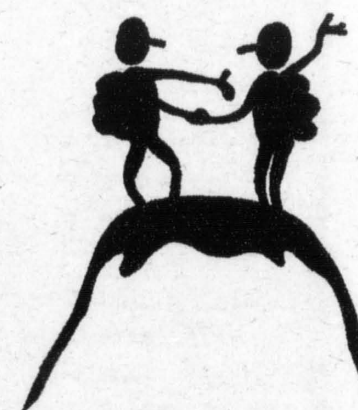
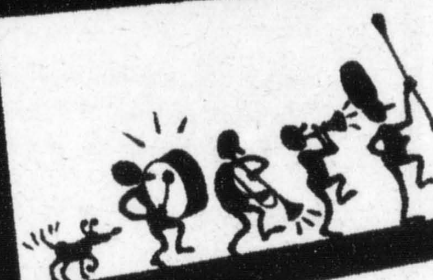
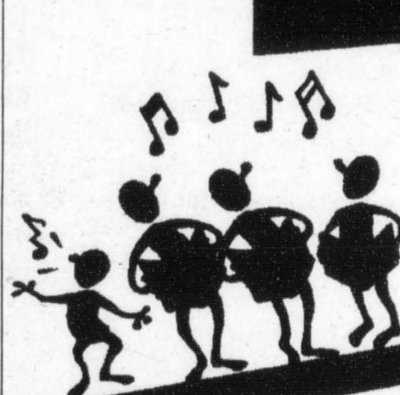
Snowshoe and Lock Haven before residing in Mansfield. She has had several careers throughout her life besides being a mother, homemaker and motorcycle fanatic. One of her jobs was cleaning for a coach's family in Lock Haven, a job that forced her to walk two miles to and from work everyday. Betty also worked for Mansfield University's dining services for over 14 years before retiring, a career she is very proud of.

If there is one thing in life that Betty is most proud of is her children. From an early age Betty knew she wanted to have children of her own, but very candidly expressed her emotional turmoil of not being able to. She went on to adopt four children on whom she showered love and affection as if they were her own. Later on in her life Betty's dream of having her own children finally came true when she eventually had two children. "I finally had the boy and the girl I always wanted," she said. Sadly, Betty lost two of her sons and a daughter to Leukemia, but she will always remember them as her personal heroes who brought her much joy and comfort in her life.

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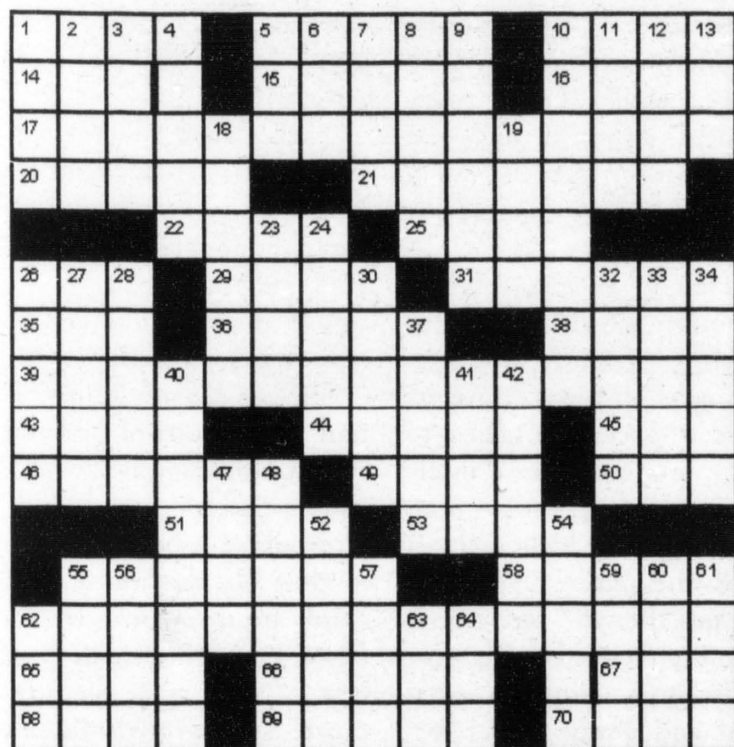
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10. Green or MacFarlane
14. Extreme dislike
15. To evade
16. Vicinity
17. "Life is just ____."

20. A behavior pattern

21. Seoul inhabitants
22. Colored one's hair
25. One penny
26. Half of a Flinstones character
29. International organization
reliant on oil revenues
31. Lodger

35. Fuss
 36. Satiates
 38. Board or mind ender
 39. Another life analogy coined by
Forrest Gump
 43. Opera Solo
 44. Reputation
 45. Opposite of WSW
 46. To be in a state of turmoil
 49. Ham or ice ending
 50. Lyrical poem
 51. Used to make cheese
 53. Pod veggies
 55. Gained knowledge
 58. Basketball player
 62. Mark Twain's "The
Adventures of ____."
 65. Land unit
 66. Archipelago of the Southern
Pacific
 67. Second largest Island in Greece
 68. ____ ex Machina
 69. Fidelity
 70. Baseball's Cincinnati ____
- Down
1. Not this
 2. Boomer or sitter
 3. On
 4. Marry again

5. Cat of the zodiac
6. Pointy eared fairy tale creature
7. Sludge
8. For one purpose only
9. One who glances slyly
10. County of Eastern NY
11. ____ go Braugh
12. Types of shirts
13. Possesses
18. Fire
19. City in Nevada
23. A long narrative poem
24. New ____ (capital of India)
26. Ali and kin
27. Idolize
28. Spirit
30. Archaic past tense of climb
32. Drea de ____
33. Improve with editing
34. View again
37. Black and white male duck
40. Horse's favorite desserts?
41. Monster
42. Something handed down from
an ancestor
47. Throw
48. Author Hemingway
52. To exclude
54. Less dangerous

55. Hotel Bella ____
56. Shade of tan
57. Showroom model
59. Donate
60. Oklahoma city
61. Genetic structures
62. Formerly owned
63. Spoil
64. Part of a cheer

Puzzle by TINA KAMBOURIS

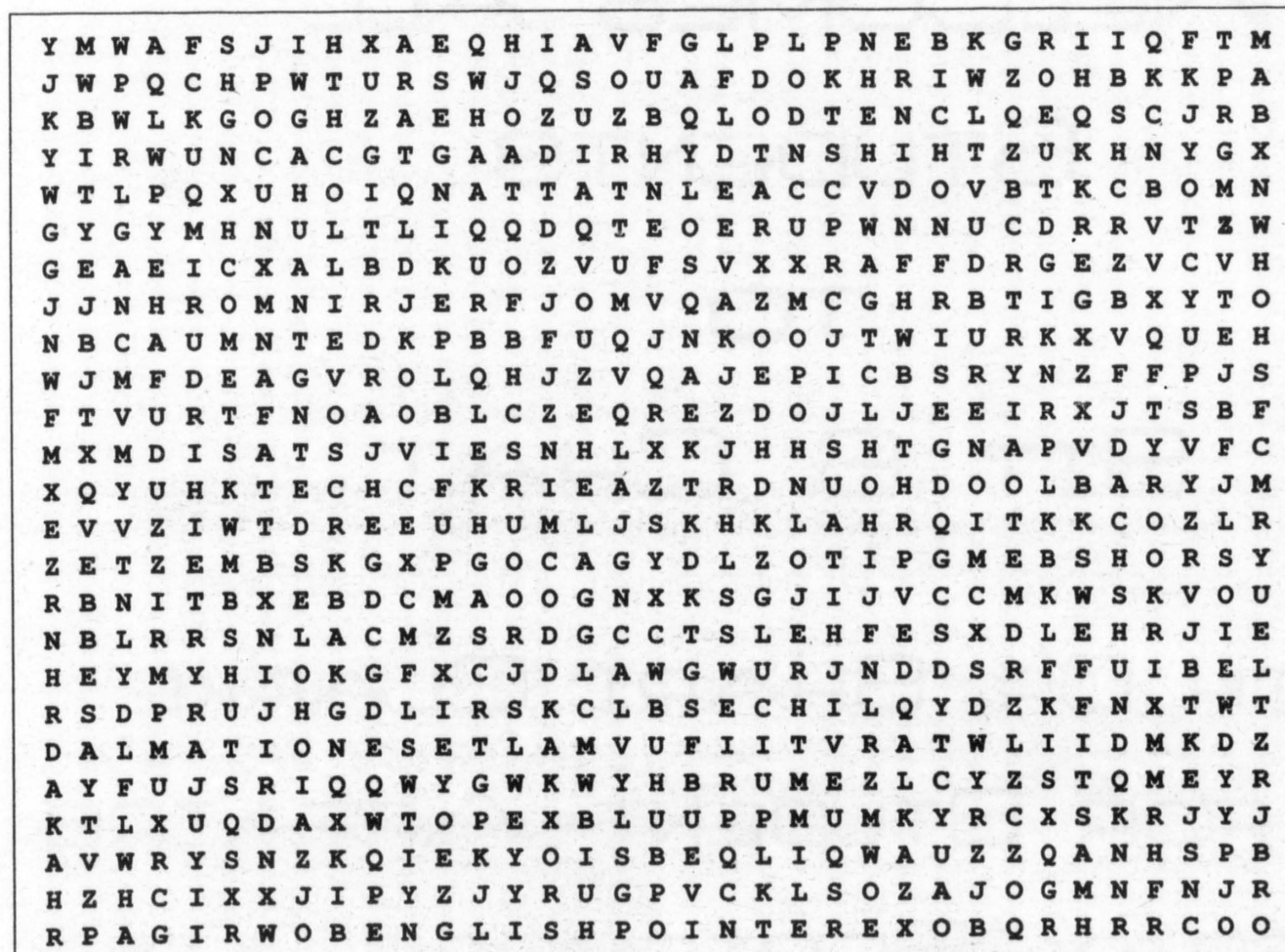
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By TINA KAMBOURIS



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Residence Life Movies

Channel 10

This weeks scheduled movies:

Thursday

- 5 p.m.- At First Sight
7:30 p.m.- Bread and
Roses
10 p.m.- Blue Collar
Comedy Tour
12:30 a.m.-
Jerusalem: Within
These Walls

Saturday

- 5 p.m.- Blue Collar
Comedy Tour
7:30 p.m.-
Jerusalem: Within
These Walls
10 p.m.- At First
Sight
12:30 a.m.- Bread
and Roses

Friday

- 5 p.m.- Bread and
Roses
7:30 p.m.- Blue Collar
Comedy Tour
10 p.m.- Jerusalem:
Within These Walls
12:30 a.m.- At First
Sight

Sunday

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Comedy Tour

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'Man in black' cashes out

Industry and fans mourn loss of icon

BY SEAN HAIR

Special to the Flashlight

Few introductions are as memorable as his. Today at concerts we see grand openings with lights, pyrotechnics and other such eye-popping stunts. The artist known as the "Man In Black" would simply step up to the stage look out into the audience, which has varied from Vietnamese to Czechoslovakian and Russian and say "Hello I'm Johnny Cash." Unfortunately the world will never again have the pleasure of seeing and hearing this introduction. Johnny Cash, a staple of American music died last week.

His career spanned over 1500-recorded songs, which can be found on about 500 records. Today forty-five of his albums remain in print. He is also one of the few artists to sell over fifty million records, joining the ranks of such greats as Michael Jackson, Bruce Springsteen and The Beatles. He has had some forty-eight pop hits on the Billboard Hot 100. These songs have earned him eleven Grammy Awards, with the most recent coming in the 1999 Lifetime Achievement award and Best Country album for last years *The Man Comes Around*.

At the highpoint of his career, the fall of 1969, Cash's albums were selling more than 250,000 a month. During that period he was even out selling The Beatles.

Later in 1969, Cash was given his own variety show, which aired on ABC until 1971. He played host to such guests as Bob Dylan, Linda Ronstadt, Neil Diamond, Gordon Lightfoot and Merle Haggard, just to name a few. Staying in the television and movie business Cash produced and co-wrote *Gospel Road*, a film about the life of Jesus that was distributed by the Reverend Billy Graham and is still in demand today. He also starred in four major motion pictures included *A Gunfight* which also starred Kurt Douglass and is considered one of the last great westerns made.

But his greatest accomplishments are in music. Cash had 38 consecutive years in which he placed at least two songs on the country-western charts, including a staggering twenty-five between 1958 and 1960. He has had over 130 singles on the Billboard Country Chart, only second to George Jones. Of those songs "Folsom Prison Blues" and "I Walk The Line" have earned million-performance citations from BMI. "I Walk The Line" has also been re-recorded by over 100 different acts.

Country Music magazine Rich Kinezie once wrote that Cash "strengthened the bonds between folk and country music so that both sides saw their similarities as well as their differences. He helped to liberalize Nashville so that it could accept the unconventional and the controversial and he did as much as anyone to make the 'outlaw' phenomenon possible."

BETTY (cont.)

These days you can find Betty enjoying her time on the front porch of her current home where she has lived for over twenty years.

Betty enjoys reminiscing about the gold ole' days of all the friends she has met throughout her life and things such as square-dancing with her husband. "I use to be a fun person," she admitted.

Oh but don't worry, Betty still finds time to dance around her collection of about several hundred stuffed bears and animals that decorate her home. When she gets bored she admires the countless pictures of her family and grandchildren and on the subject of how many grandchildren she has she replied, "oh hunny, don't do that to me!"

Betty has two daughters that live in the area who regularly visit her and assist her in her daily living chores.

Betty enjoys living across from campus because "there is always somebody to talk to and most of the kids here are nice." She spoke of her admiration for her neighbor, President John Halstead and his family.

"I always see him out playing ball with his beautiful girl," Betty said. It's different because she is saddened to see not much time is devoted to children these days by parents who work many hours. "I like the mister and his wife." The feeling is clearly mutual.

"Our family is delighted to have Betty as our across-the-street neighbor," President

Halstead said. "She always brightens each and every day with a smile, always greets students warmly, and has come to our home for such events as the summer employee picnic."

There is no counting the number of visitors Betty receives. Friends, students, strangers and even travelers have stopped and talked to her. Ironically, as I interviewed Betty a woman stopped to say hello and left with the phrase "Keep on waving, Betty!" She enjoys her interactions with students and visitors a great deal and always looks forward to a conversation. She fondly remembers the one time members of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity brought her a birthday

cake for her birthday. She loves such gestures of unselfishness.

"Many times I thought she would come across the street to kick a soccer ball with my daughter and me," President Halstead said.

"I was never good at sports," Betty said.

"She is a Mansfield institution' with a heart of gold and an enthusiastic wave to all," Halstead said.

It would only be appropriate to close out this article with words from my new friend, Betty. I think her words say it best. "Nothing is safe anymore. I wave to friends and don't want to leave out the ones I don't know. The only lesson I know to teach is to wave and if waving will do it, I can do that!"

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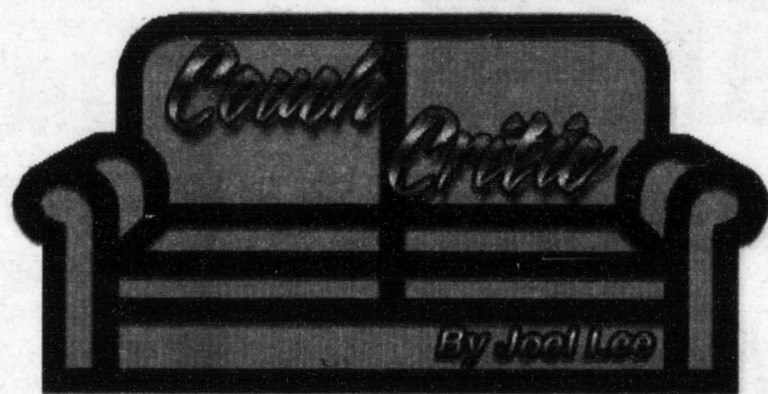
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★ I blame Howard Stern for the destruction of humanity. Well, no. I do blame him, however, for warping the idea of humor and forcing me to put up with "shock jock" idiots on the radio, television, movies, books, etc. Being a moron has seeped its way into humor, not moronic like the Three Stooges, but idiotic like Howard Stern. One must judge his humor solely based on his outlandish claims. And if one is offended by his comments, well, then, one takes these things too seriously. Really, the truth is, it's not funny. It's redundant, asinine, and lacks soul. Shock Jock turns into a cover-up for an inability to create something funny or worth hearing. Truly, though, my problem is not necessarily directly aimed at shock jocks, but more at the people who celebrate this sense of humor as if it deserves credit. It lies in this belief that the shock jock says what nobody else will say, so somehow there's something worthy behind it. If Howard Stern didn't make fun of all the people he brings on his show (Gary the Retard, High Pitch Eric, Beetlejuice, Stuttering John) what would the listener laugh at? Somehow, Stern and all his copycats have lulled people into believing that slick mockery is hilarious. I don't want to hear the "You take it too seriously" argument anymore because it only gives license to say more stupid crap. I recognize often our humor revolves around the misfortunes of those around us, or the misfortune of ourselves, but I also realize that usually those jokes pinpoint the nuances that we recognize as human when we hear them. There is no connection made between shock jock and audience, aside from one that makes the audience scream "He did not just say that." I can say plenty of stupid crap, we all know I say plenty of stupid crap, but I could just as well say in a CD review, "This CD sucks. It sounds like a retard gang bang." That means nothing, proves nothing; it's only use is to shock you into reading what drivel I have to say. Unfortunately, this seems appealing to a large audience today, giving credence to those slovenly readers who label everything as moronic. In the end, that's the real problem: there is a lack of division between telling things how they are and just saying something for the attention. Without the delineation, shock jocks have accessibility to truth, and the audience stays fooled.

Storytelling tradition still alive at Mansfield

BY JEANNETTE ESTEVES
Flashlight Writer

The Fine Arts Committee shared an evening of storytelling in Straughn Hall with the students of Mansfield University and the local community last Friday.

Dennis Murray, co-chair of the Fine Arts Committee, introduced the first storyteller of the night, Linda Humes.

Linda Humes, a native to New York City, is an African folk tale storyteller also known as a "Griot."

She is also an actress and producer, who is accompanied by a drummer, Montico Joe.

Involving members of the audience, Ms. Humes opened the night with a song entitled, "Pangogo."

Her stories focused on issues such as morals, gender issues, good deeds, and signs from different areas of the world ranging from Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States.

Certain morals that were incorporated into her stories were the following: "When someone does good to you, you should return good with good," "Don't eat or hunt the last of nothing," and "A man is never dead only if he is forgotten."

Next, Bil Lepp presented his unique twist on stories for the audience in his session of storytelling.



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Linda Humes entertained Mansfield audiences with African folk tales and music.

Mr. Lepp is a native to West Virginia. He was the five-time winner of the West Virginia Lyers Competition, and he has written books consisting of his mixture of tales.

Unlike Ms. Humes, he did not have hidden morals in his stories; instead he told tall tales of his life and how he became a five-time winner.

Mr. Lepp told a variety of humorous jokes and stories throughout the night that entertained the audience.

"I enjoyed the performers, but I liked the first lady better because she was more serious and not just funny like the other guy was," said Keith Drummond, a student of Mansfield University.

A few of his tall tales, entitled "Cathedrals of Flapdoodle," were about deer stories and how he and his friend impersonated a deer.

This seemed like a humorous stunt to do at the time, but what they didn't realize that it was illegal in West Virginia.

Overall, the majority of the students of Mansfield University, as well as the local residents of Mansfield, enjoyed listening and participating in both of the storyteller's performances.

"Storytelling was pretty good, I thought it was going to be boring, but it was actually pretty interesting," said Jannelle Kirkwood, a student at Mansfield University.

Even though the night of storytelling was successful, most do not know that this evening of storytelling use to be a weeklong festival filled with storytelling events.

"The festival ended about two years ago, but we kept it alive by turning it into a fine arts program. Now, children enjoy the storytelling in the morning and the adults in the evening," said Dr. Dennis Murray.

The next night of an evening of storytelling will be Thursday, November 13th taking place at 8pm in Straughn Hall. The performers will be The Reckless Ramblers.

Student Government seeks new senators



Photo by COLIN COLEMAN

SGA executive board members from left to right: Brett Carpenter (Vice President), Jeff Howe (President) and Patrick King (Parliamentarian).

By RACHEL ADAMS
Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

Looking for a great way to build your resume and help out the student body? Then look no further - the Mansfield University Student Government Association (SGA) is looking for freshmen, transfer students and returning students to fill 17 vacant Senator seats. Ten of those seats are reserved for freshmen and transfer students, while the remaining seven will be filled by returning (sophomore status and higher) students.

When all is said and done, there will be 35 senators, or one for every 100 students on campus. These senators serve as a liaison between faculty and the student body, taking the concerns of the students and bringing them to administrators. "We are the voice of the students at large," Jeff Howe, SGA president, explained.

Senators are required to maintain at least a 2.0 GPA, attend a weekly SGA meeting, and serve on two committees within the organization. If elected, the term of office is one year, after which you can be voted back into a senator position. If you think you have what it takes to be an SGA senator, here's how you apply:

Freshmen and transfer students - head over to 516 North Hall to pick up an application (the deadline is today). Returning students - come to the SGA meeting Monday at 9:15 p.m., where open nominations will be held. Be prepared to tell the existing senators why you think you'd be a good match for SGA, what you can bring to the organization, and your goals for SGA.

SGA meetings are every Monday at 9:15 p.m. in AHUB 317, and are always open to the public. Only senators are allowed to vote, but anyone can come to voice an opinion.

OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: *Mountie spirit, let's hear it!*

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

Let me say right from the get-go that I love Mansfield University. I couldn't be happier to be a Mountaineer. I love wearing red and black, and I love hearing the Marching Band strike up our fight song. I wear my "Red and Black Victorious" shirt with pride, and I get a certain chill when I hear our alma mater played on the Butler bells every night.

I came to MU in '99 for a degree in Music Education because the Music Department is incredibly renowned, and my high school music teacher had attended here and raved about it. For three semesters I worked towards a degree in vocal education, playing the piano and suffering through a semester trying to learn the violin and viola. When it became increasingly clear that a career in music just wasn't for me, I agonized and paced over my decision, taking into account all possible changes that might happen. I thought I'd like to try my hand at journalism, but even though the size (and fame) of the journalism department paled in comparison to the music department, I never once thought about transferring to a different university. Why? Because Mansfield University is my home, and I love it here.

That's why it makes me so upset when people -especially our own students- trash MU. Sure, it's built on the side of a mountain and it's always cold. But isn't the view gorgeous? And when it snows, there are tons of cool hills to sled down. Okay, so the town isn't exactly a booming metropolis. But isn't it fun to hang out in your best friend's room and watch movies and eat ice cream until obscene hours of the morning? And yeah, the food in the Den is *really* expensive. But man, doesn't that new place look great?

Because Mansfield is such a small school, I really feel like I can make my mark here. A friend of mine recently graduated from NYU,

where class sizes are huge and extra-curricular activities aren't really emphasized as a part of the college experience. I watched him walk across the stage at Madison Square Garden, just a tiny speck in a teeming mass of purple and white, and decided that I'd rather attend this tiny Pennsylvania university and be labeled as a "hick" than get lost in a crowded big-city school that looks good on paper but in reality isn't so much better than our little institution. Besides, extra-curricular activities are my life. They look good on a resume, and they build experience before we're unleashed into the "real world."

Where else but Mansfield could I become editor-in-chief, as well my past appointments as features editor and news editor, of the school newspaper after being on staff for only two years? Where else can you look across the crowd at a football game and see the university president clapping and cheering with everyone else? Where else do your professors call you by name, and actually care if you miss a class? Some of my professors will even call or e-mail if I miss a day of class, wanting to know if I'm okay and if there's anything they can do. (Sweet, yes, but a little embarrassing when the only thing that's wrong with me is that I was too lazy to get out of bed.)

I've been invited to professors' houses for dinner, I've baby-sat their children and I've been stopped in the hallways for compliments and suggestions on everything from term papers to *The Flashlight*. I know I'm not the only one that's had these experiences, either. The feeling is so much more personal and friendly at a small university, and you really feel as if your professors know *you* as opposed to a name on a piece of paper.

So come on, my dear readers, stand tall and be proud to be a Mountaineer! We may not be big, and we may not be world-famous, but we have something better than all that: Mountie Spirit.

Letter to the Editor: *Treat it like home*

Dear Editor,

When you hear the word bathroom, most people think of a clean and sanitary place. But if you're a person who lives in the dorms, and you hear the word bathroom, the first thing that generally comes to mind is gross and disgusting. Now I ask you why that is. Is it because the workers aren't doing their job? Or, is it because people don't clean up after themselves.

In Cedarcrest, it's because people are lazy. At home you would never urinate on the seat, or leave used toilet paper "hanging around." But at Cedarcrest that's just the case.

The seats are always urinated on, or

have used toilet paper on the seat. The showers always smell and the sinks are always disgusting. But yet the bathroom facility is cleaned on a regular basis, and yet it's still disgusting on a regular basis.

The simplest solution to the treachery of the bathroom is to treat it like home. And all I mean by that is, don't urinate in the shower, or leave toilet paper "hanging around." Just treat it like home, and it can be as clean as home. So clean up after yourself, and we'll have a cleaner, friendlier bathroom facility.

-Justin Losinger

Letter to the Editor: *Snubbed and unhappy*

On Monday, September 8th at approximately 9:15pm, I witnessed something that really hurt me as a student of Mansfield University. I am a member of the Alpha Sigma Tau sorority here on campus and on Monday night attended the "Meet the Greeks" event to kick off Rush Week, held in Alumni Student Center (A.H.U.B). The event did not begin until 9:30, but a few of my sisters and I got together early to go set up. When we got to the "multi-purpose" room, we noticed that there was another event that was coming to a close when we arrived. President Halstead was attending this other event at the time we came to set up and I was genuinely happy to see

him supporting whatever this other event was.

As we began setting up our display, along with students from other greek organizations, I noticed that President Halstead began to leave the room. I watched him and even walked right in front of him hoping that he would stop and talk and maybe find out what was going on, but that did not happen. He walked straight out of the room without as much as a smile towards any of the greek members or visiting students. This broke my heart. I grant that greek life is NOT for everyone and that is fine, but even though we are greeks, we are students too.

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Letter to the Editor:

Ticketing troubles

With over one thousand new freshman students walking around the university, it's no joke that the campus is packed. While this small school is getting bigger, it's understandable that campus parking is becoming a big problem. So far this semester, I've seen so many unfair parking regulation tickets that I believe that the school should do something about it.

With three good sized parking lots, the E lot, the baseball field lot, and the upper division parking lot, the Mansfield University police still don't understand that there are no decent places to park. Every night I go with my roommate to park her car, and there are barely any spots to park into. With so many students parking on campus, it's inevitable that the students are going to park anywhere in which

they can. While the students are struggling to find parking spots, they park at any spot found on campus, and each car is getting a ticket after ticket, until they unleash the boot.

A perfect example to convey this idea took place just this weekend. As I stood outside of Cedarcrest, I witnessed the Mr. Stir Fry delivery man's vehicle acquire a ticket. He was only in the building for a brief time period delivering food and within that short time, the Mansfield police jumped at the opportunity to ticket his car. On the other hand, Parent's Day was this weekend and I saw no tickets being given. As the many cars parked outside of each dormitory, crowding all of the streets within the campus, I saw no cars ticketed. I saw this one BMW sitting outside

for ten hours on Saturday afternoon without a ticket, but a delivery guy gets ticketed upon arrival.

To resolve this parking problem, I suggest that there be more leniency about where, when, and for how long students can park. It is problematic for the majority of the student body to have parking tickets because many of us can't financially afford them (especially when students get tickets, twice every day). Maybe, there should be a new lot made, since our incoming students are always increasing each year. If nothing is done and people continue to be ticketed left and right for parking violations, this article will be one of many who seek to find a resolution that seems fair.

-Erica Garfinkle

Okay, okay, you win! Due to an overwhelming backlash, "Random Ramblings" will return in next week's issue of *The Flashlight*. Suggestions for ramblings may be sent to Rachel Adams at adamsr@mnsfld.edu, although I probably won't listen to you.

Next year you could study in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America. . . .

Mansfield now has exchange programs with over 100 universities in over 30 countries. Through our own exchanges and through our new membership in the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), the largest student exchange program in the world, you can study in English in 17 countries or you can study languages in 19 others. Only two other universities in Pennsylvania offer their students the ISEP programs.

It's affordable. For most of the programs, you pay MU tuition and room and board, plus the cost of a plane ticket and some fees, and special MU study abroad scholarships are available to help with costs. You can go for a semester, a year, or a summer, and you can take general education courses or some major-related courses. And MU and ISEP carefully monitor countries where our students study, so it's okay to go abroad today.

This semester, exchange students from Sweden, Germany, Brazil, France, and Russia are living and studying at MU. Talk with them, talk with your family and friends, and talk with Study Abroad Director Dr. Monique Oyallon in Belknap Hall (662-4603).

Check MU programs at www.mnsfld.edu/~international/stuex.htm
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It takes time and careful planning to go on a study abroad program. For next summer or next fall, you need to get started now. Study abroad can change your life and enhance your job prospects. The possibilities at MU are now wide open.

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Students of HIS SCHOOL and he made it seem as though we didn't even deserve to be looked at, smiled towards or talked to. I felt disrespected as a student and looked down upon. I can not speak for the other organizations who were present at the time, but I watched and saw that President Halstead stopped and talked to no one.

This is not a greek complaining again about the lack of support for greek life, this is a student who feels disrespected by a man who expects the most respect of any person on this campus. This is the President

of our school who totally disregarded our existence in that room. It is disconcerting to me to see that visible sign of discontent that President Halstead displayed that night. Maybe he did not mean to act that way towards us, but I would think that a person with his authority in the school would have realized that there was a group of his own students gathering together and he would have been at least remotely interested as to why we were all together. Maybe I misunderstood.

-The Disappointed Student.

POLITICS AND OPINION:

Election 2004

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

The 2004 presidential campaign season is in full swing, so prepare to be inundated with a barrage of political ads, speeches and conventions which will take place periodically throughout the next 14 months.

In today's modern news era, we are exposed to a constant and steady flow of news information, some useful, and most repetitive and/or useless. The list of men and women who have thrown their names into the ring to oust the Oval Office from President Bush seems limitless. Men such as Joseph Lieberman, an orthodox Jewish senator from Connecticut, as well as women such as African-American Congresswoman Carol Mosley Braun have decided to throw their names into a very chaotic and mixed ring of American presidential politics.

The question is why would they expose themselves, their families and loved ones to the negative and personal attacks that come with a run for the oval office? In addition to the harsh criticism that is involved in a presidential campaign, is the sheer cost of waging an effective one. Simply put, you need money to win, and with a list of 10 or so candidates it has to be increasingly hard for the candidates

(although less for others) to raise the kind of coffers needed to run an effective campaign.

Campaigns, I might add, have always been brutal, and that is putting it mildly. Some of our most beloved presidents such as Abraham Lincoln and George Washington have been branded liars and murderers from their political opponents during campaigns.

Sitting presidents running for re-election have the luxury of the power of the office of the presidency backing them up, so in this instance the "Dubya" has one up on his competitors. So why bother? I believe it is a combination of factors, not the least of which is ambition. With all the statistics stacked against a candidate (winning the party nomination is hard enough let alone the general election) a person would have to be a lunatic to even attempt such a mammoth task. It makes one think twice about the mental health of the men who have held the office of the presidency.

In any event, the next 14 months of campaigning, speeches, and candidate bashing will be fun to watch. It is popular culture at its greatest. If this election turns out to be half as comical as the last presidential election, and the debacle that ensued, then we are all in for a wild ride!

Due to a server issues, *The Flashlight* webpage was unavailable for update last week. The problems have been corrected and *The Flashlight* is once again online at www.the-flashlight.org.



Hot Topic of the Week: Fall Sports

2003, Year of the Mounties

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Mountaineer pride is back for the 2003 falls sports season at Mansfield University!

We've seen many interesting things take place in the early 2003 season. One of the most exciting things that I'm witnessing is, of course, the Mountaineer football team. Despite the fact they have played two schools outside of the PSAC conference, they are showing a new-found pride for Mansfield's fall athletics. I've gone to both home games; I must say I am rather impressed. It's obvious that these guys have worked hard, enduring grueling practices to accomplish their recent victories. Ronnie Montgomery, Dan Holland, Travis Motley and Joe Bennett are playing the game like it's their last. Sometimes athletes with stature lose sight of that virtue. This team has total sight.

Mountaineer cross country is off to yet another decent start. They are expected to fare well in the PSAC this season. We will be graced once again with the presence of Charity Learn, Stephanie Cadwell, Theresa Stanford and Erin Brunelle on the women's side. The woman placed fifth amongst the PSAC competition at the Spiked Shoe Invitational at Penn State this past weekend. Josh Wooten, Chris Saterstad, Richard Correll and Adam Staier also return to boast their running skills. Newcomer Chris Cummings is already making a name for himself on the men's team. He made his mark at the Spiked Shoe Invitational as well. We'll definitely be watching him closely.

Women's soccer is in its first season in PSAC competition. They should have an optimistic season playing schools in their conference. Julie Miller, Jamie Heller, Megan Colbey and Erin Drum are helping the Mounties in tough games. Head coach Tim Dempsey continues to sculpt these girls into a strong PSAC contender. Mansfield field hockey is also expected to have a promising season despite the loss of four important starters in the likes of Gretchen Reschke and Brooke Fronczkewicz. This year Heather Long, Alissa Gallagher, Marci Lippert and Holly Frederickson will aide in this season's field hockey team.

Fall sports on a rise...

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Two years ago, I was sitting in the *Flashlight* office talking to my co-editor at the time, Michael C. Kane, about the future of Mountie sports. At the time, we were optimistic about the future of Mountie athletics.

As the years went on, so has the progression of Mountie athletics. In my three years and counting here at Mansfield, I've witnessed and seen the progress first hand. One of the teams that we talked highly about was football, especially with the growth of Dan Holland, Joe Bennett and Travis Motley. The football team may not be a powerhouse in the PSAC East just yet, but they will shock a lot of teams this season. In two games, they shut out both opponents. If that doesn't have teams in the PSAC thinking more about the Mounties I don't know what will.

The Mountie field hockey team was another team that has a promising future. The main topic of conversation was not what they were doing in 2001 but what they will be doing in 2003 and 2004. This year's team and possibly next year's team should be even more talented if not better than the ECAC championship team of 2001.

Two years ago, Mansfield hired coach Michael Rohl to take over the cross country team; in those two years, he has put them on the map and more. With runners in the likes of Josh Wooten, Charity Learn and Adam Staier, the cross country season and future looks bright.

Mansfield made the announcement two years ago that they were adding a new sport, women's soccer. Last year was labeled the 'start of something special.' It has been just that with the team entering their second year of existence and entering their first year of conference play. So far this season, the Mounties are 1-2-1. With a team filled with freshman and sophomores, look for this team to start turning heads in the upcoming seasons.

This Week in Sports: Sports of all Sorts

By KIRK MILLER
Flashlight Sports Writer

This week in sports, the playoff chase heated up in Major League Baseball.

The Minnesota Twins and Chicago White Sox finished tied atop the American League central with the Kansas City Royals just three and a half games back. The New York Yankees and the Oakland A's lead the AL east and west divisions, respectively, while the Boston Red Sox hold a half game lead over the Seattle Mariners in the AL wild card race.

In the National League, the San Francisco Giants and Atlanta Braves have a firm grasp on their divisions, while the Houston Astros lead the Chicago Cubs by two games in the NL central. The Florida Marlins are one and a half games up on the Philadelphia

Phillies for the tightly contested NL wild card.

Also in baseball, Roy Halladay of the Toronto Blue Jays became the first 20 game winner this season. Detroit's Mike Maroth received the dubious honor of being the first MLB pitcher to lose 20 games in a single season since 1980.

In college football, upsets prevailed as number five Texas was beaten by unranked Arkansas, 38-28. Three other top 25 teams were bested by unranked schools last Saturday.

The NFL's second week saw a few upsets on Sept. 13, with the Carolina Panthers defeating the reigning Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers on the strength of three blocked kicks and kicker John Kasay's 46-yard, game winning field goal in overtime. Other upsets were the

Kansas City Chiefs over the Pittsburgh Steelers, 41-20 and the Tennessee Titans losing to the Indianapolis Colts on the road, 33-7.

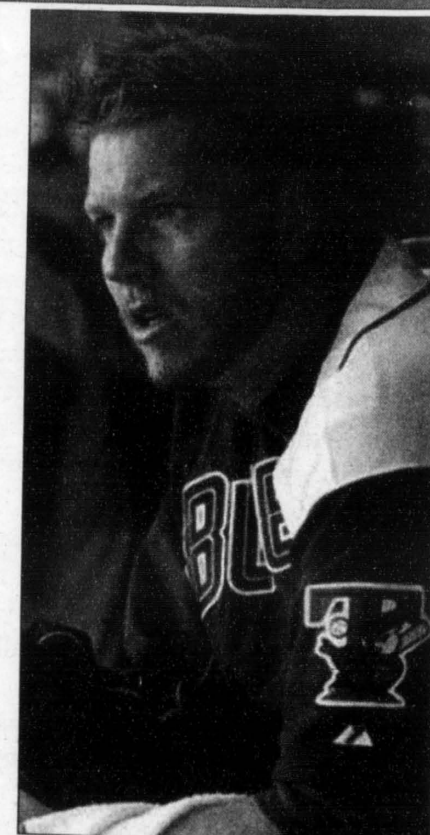
There were very few close games in a day that saw the Seattle Seahawks rout the Arizona Cardinals, 38-0; the Buffalo Bills crush the Jacksonville Jaguars, 38-17 and the Green Bay Packers best the Detroit Lions, 31-6.

The day's close games were St. Louis over San Francisco on an overtime field goal by Jeff Wilkins; the Oakland Raiders narrowly beating the Cincinnati Bengals, 23-20, on a 39-yard field goal by Sebastian Janikowski with nine seconds remaining in the game. The Washington Redskins outgunned the Atlanta Falcons, 33-31, with wide receiver Laveranues Coles catching 11 balls for 180 yards.

Other scores included the New Orleans Saints crushing the Houston Texans, 31-10; the Miami Dolphins trampling the New York Jets; 21-10 and the Denver Broncos beating divisional opponent the San Diego Chargers, 37-13. Two teams that had been shut out in week one got together Sunday in a game that resulted in, above all things, points as the New England Patriots slid by the stumbling Philadelphia Eagles, 31-10.

The 8 p.m. game was between the Minnesota Vikings and Chicago Bears with Minnesota winning, 24-13.

Finally, the Baltimore Ravens rode to victory over the hapless Cleveland Browns, 33-13, on the shoulders of fourth year running back Jamal Lewis who set a new NFL record for rushing yards in a game with 295 on 30 carries.



YAHOO SPORTS
Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Roy Halladay is baseball's first 20 game winner this season.

Winning key for Holland

By SCOTT WALSH
Tribune Staff Writer

This season is not about what Mansfield University senior linebacker Dan Holland has accomplished in his career. It is more about what's left for the Bishop O'Hara graduate to achieve.

For example, Holland is 5 1/2 sacks away from surpassing the career mark of 21 1/2 held by Scott Frick from 1990 to 93. He is 73 tackles shy of breaking the school's career record of 437 set by Dave Mitchell from 1992 to 1995.

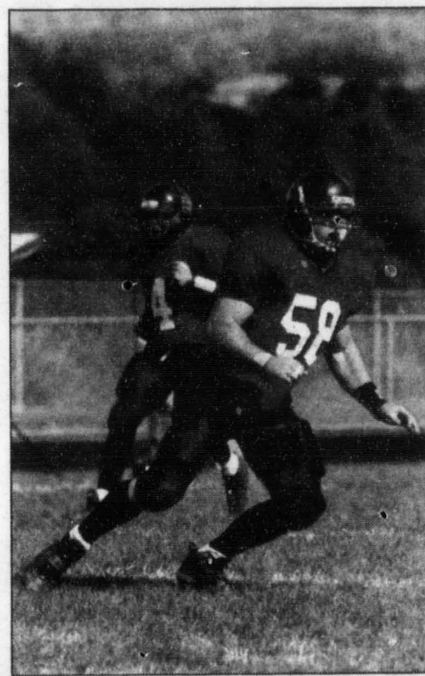
No Mansfield player has ever been a four-time first-team all-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East Division selection. Holland is the first Mountaineers player to be chosen three times.

He is a candidate for the Harlon Hill Trophy, the Division II equivalent of the Heisman. Only one other defensive player in the history of this award has ever won it - in 1995, North Alabama's Ronald McKinnon, who currently plays professionally for the Arizona Cardinals.

Yet for all that he can accomplish - or already has - Holland would give them up to achieve one thing: a winning season.

That's something Mansfield has not experienced since 1975.

"There's still a lot left to do, a lot of unfinished business," Holland said. "Our goal is to win the PSAC East. We want to win games. We've got a good coaching staff and a lot of good players coming back on both sides of the ball. We feel we can attain that goal."



SPORTS INFORMATION
Holland is a candidate for the Harlon Hill Trophy

Adds Mansfield coach Chris Woods: "Danny would trade every accolade in the world that he gets for a couple more wins."

Talk about your lopsided deals.

Since stepping foot on the Mansfield campus, Holland has recorded 100 or more tackles in each of his first three seasons. Last year, he led Division II with 141 stops and was chosen Linebacker of the Year.

"His first couple of years, he survived on his athleticism, but was kind of robotic," Woods said. "Now, he's a guy who has great anticipation and a knack for being where the ball is going to go before it gets there."

"Everything we try to teach technique-wise, he does every single time he works out in practice and never takes off. That's what makes him such a great player. And, he made himself. He just didn't walk in being

Linebacker of the Year in the country. He's willed himself into doing it."

It seems, though, no opponent has figured out a way to neutralize Holland.

"Some schools pad their guys' stats and you say, 'No way,'" Bloomsburg head coach Danny Hale said. "He's legit. To me, there are certain positions that are instinctive. Like tailback. Either you have it or you don't. Linebackers, I think, are sort of born. You can drill some guys until the cows come home, but they don't have that instinct. Holland has it."

According to Woods, Holland is the best player he's ever coached.

That is why Woods has mixed emotion about this season. He knows Holland is around for just one more year.

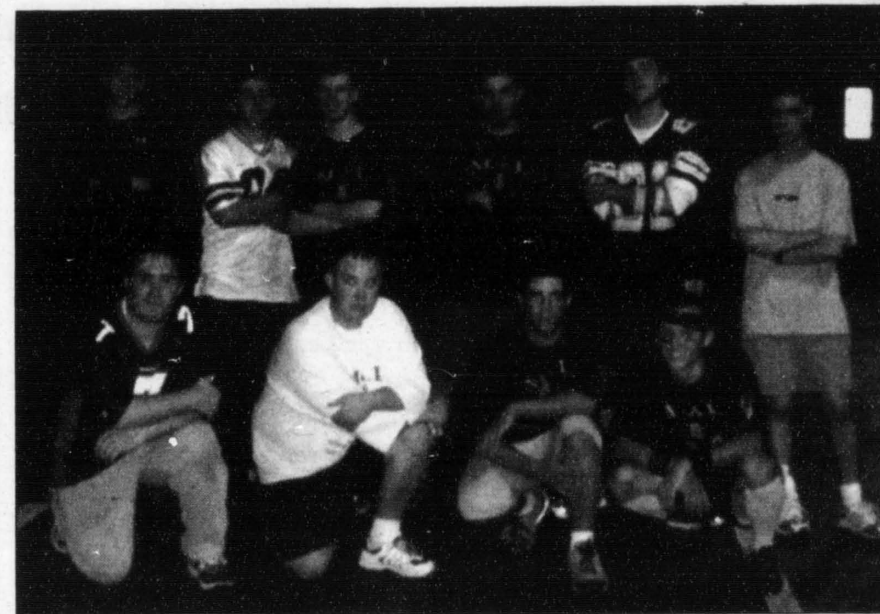
"We're all just trying to enjoy him because he's going to be gone next year," Woods said. "It'll be a sad day for our program when he leaves."

In many ways, though, Holland's presence will be felt even after he has gone. One look at this year's Mountaineers roster reveals nine other players from the Scranton area. Many of them headed to Mansfield because of Dan Holland.

"It's a pretty easy sell when you put out the Holland name," Woods said.

Perhaps helping Mansfield to recruit may be Holland's most impressive accomplishment of all.

(Scott Walsh's article is from the Sept. 4 issue of the Scranton Times. Flashlight Sports Co-Editor Jennifer Nelson has received permission from Ed Christine, the Times' Sports Editor to reprint the article.)



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT

The MAL is back for their second straight season of football.

Flashlight Sports Feature: The Mansfield Arena League

By JAIME ZUBLICK
Flashlight Writer

Is the grid iron action of Mansfield's finest not enough for you?

Well then you're in luck because football at Mansfield isn't just for Saturday afternoon.

The MAL (Mansfield Arena League) started last year with a group of friends and a love for the game. Now in its second year, the MAL is going strong.

Matt Godshall said that he "is expecting another good, fun filled year." Several of last year's participants are returning this year. Although some have graduated, they are always remembered on and off the field. After a long summer, many of the players are looking forward to getting back.

"It's great to return after a long summer, but I needed the break to recover from falling on the concrete all those times," said Scott Behney.

Caleb Paladin, Brett Carpenter, John Stanek and Chad Landers are just a few names among those returning.

The games are played under the lights of the parking lot adjacent to Belknap on Mansfield University's campus every Saturday evening. During the winter months, the games are held inside the Kelchner Fitness Center.

The games start around 8 p.m. and last until the players decide that they've had enough, which is refreshing to see. Football in this day and age is like any other sport: players will only go as far as their contracts decide they should. Score is rarely kept during the games; it's just a group of friends having a good time at Mansfield.

If you'd like to see the MAL "do their thing," be sure to check them out every Saturday for all the action and fun.

This Week in Mountie Sports

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On The Sidelines: Jason Roscoe

By **MIKE PETERS**
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football program looks to be on the track toward success.

Jason Roscoe has returned from his two-year hiatus and he is ready to run the ball. With two games under his belt, he has 136 rushing yards and is well on his way to setting a career high.

With excellent returning players as well as a fine recruiting class, the pieces may be in place for the first winning football season since 1975.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Jason Roscoe: I am a senior Criminal Justice major.

MP: Where are you from?

JR: I am from York, Pa.

MP: How old are you?

JR: I am 22 years old.

MP: Why did you decide to come here to Mansfield University?

JR: Before I graduated from high school, I was trying to go to a prep school and play, but that did not work out. The head of the basketball program, Coach Alexander was my high school coach. He convinced me to come to Mansfield University.

MP: When did you start to play football?

JR: This is only my fourth year of competitive football. I played two years in high school and I played during my first year in college. This is the beginning of my fourth season.

MP: Were you always a running back?

JR: No, I was not always a running back. During my sophomore season in high school, I was a receiver. I also spent some time as a tailback.

MP: When did you become a running back?

JR: I became a running back during my senior year in high school.

MP: Do you enjoy playing that position?

JR: I enjoy running the ball. You can get banged up a little bit but there is a lot of action there.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports in high school?

JR: I played three different sports in high school. I ran track and played football and basketball.

MP: Do you participate in any other sports at the university?

JR: I was on the track team during my sophomore year and have played basketball during my entire collegiate career.

MP: Why did you leave the football program after the 2000 season?

JR: I decided that I needed to work on keeping my grades up. I did not do it to concentrate on basketball as much as I wanted to concentrate on graduating.

MP: Why did you return to the football team after the absence?

JR: I missed the game. After I watched it from the stands, I knew that I wanted to get back into the game.

MP: Have you won any awards?

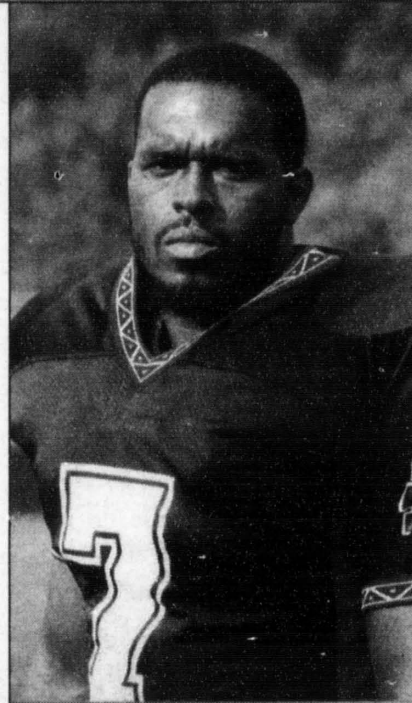
JR: I have not won anything in football yet, but I was the most improved player in basketball last season. I also hold the record for assists in one game with 15.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the football team?

JR: I enjoy being around the people on the team, especially the guys that I played with during my freshman season.

MP: How does this team recover from a losing season?

JR: Coach Woods and the rest of the coaching staff have done a great job recruiting solid young players to compliment a good team lead by Joe Bennett, Dan Holland and Travis Motley.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Jason Roscoe is showing he's back and better than before.

MP: What keeps you going strong after taking a hit on the field?

JR: When I get knocked down, I just think that I am going to score on the next play. We have to bounce back and score or do whatever it takes to win the game.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

JR: Before the game, I like to keep to myself. I just sit in my locker and think about what I have to do.

MP: What is one thing you learned from playing football that you will carry on with you in your future?

JR: Football has taught me to be tough. I have learned that I need to face adversity and overcome it.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

JR: In ten years, I would like to be teaching and coaching. I hope that I can get a job as a Graduate Assistant and work on a master's degree in education.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

JR: One of my favorite sayings is a passage from the bible from Second Timothy, chapter two, verse five. "If a man also strives for masteries yet he is not crowned except he strived lawfully."

MP: How is the team going to do the rest of this season?

JR: I know that we will have a winning season. We just have to believe in ourselves, and we will be fine.



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mounties' freshman Alissa Gallagher scored the game winning goal against Slippery Rock on Sept. 10.

Mountie field hockey preps for busy week after slipping past 'The Rock'

By **GREGORY PELLEGRINO**
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It was only a matter of time before the Mansfield University field hockey team found the winning way.

On Sept. 10, the Mounties played host to Slippery Rock University. Last year, Mansfield shut out The Rock, 7-0.

During the first half of play, the score remained 0-0 as the Mounties senior goalie Heather Long recorded seven saves. For the game, she had nine.

Mansfield was outshot nine to six in the first half but came out firing in the second half. With just 2:30 minutes into the second half, sophomore Amy Houck scored her first goal of the year off an assist from junior Ashley Celaschi.

The lead would only last ten minutes, as Slippery Rock's Christine Wadiem scored on an unassisted goal with just 20 minutes to play.

The Mounties out shot and dominated the penalty corners 9-1 in the second half but weren't able to break the 1-1 tie.

In overtime, Slippery Rock had a couple of chances to score on two break-away but were denied by goalie Heather Long and junior Marci Lippert.

The Mounties had the advan-

tage on the offensive front in overtime out-shooting the Rock 5-0 and held a 3-0 advantage on penalty corners.

Overtime lasted all but five minutes when freshman Alissa Gallagher scored the game winning goal off another assist from Celaschi who had two for the game.

"We finally put it together in the second half," junior Kristen Campbell said. "We scored a goal and took advantage of the penalty corner in overtime and scored a goal. The win boosted our confidence level."

With the win, the Mounties improved to 1-2 as they entered their road game against the Bald Eagles of Lock Haven on Sept. 13.

The Mounties winning streak fell short as the Bald Eagles put up 10 goals shutting down Mansfield's offense for a 10-0 victory.

With the loss, the Mounties fell to 1-3 on the season. At press time, Mansfield played host to the Raiders of Shippensburg. Tomorrow the Mounties play the East Stroudsburg Warriors at Spalding Field.

"It's going to be a busy week," Campbell said. "We really have to be on top of things. Our energy is going to have to be high."

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Soccer drops first two in opening PSAC games

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

Mansfield University's women's soccer finally learned what it feels like to play in the PSAC Conference this past week.

The Mounties started their 2003 PSAC schedule losing two games. The Mountaineers opened up their PSAC schedule on the road at Slippery Rock on Sept. 10.

The Mounties lost their first game of the year to the Rock, 4-0. Julie Miller started the first half of the game for the Mounties in goal. Slippery Rock scored all four of their goals in the first half.

In the second half, Mansfield sent Nickie Rodweller in the goal. Rodweller held the Rock scoreless in the second half to keep the score 4-0.

Mounties' coach Tim Dempsey viewed that loss as a learning experience. "Slippery Rock was a very good team," Dempsey said. "I knew that once we started the PSAC schedule, we might run against some very good competition. We now know that we need to improve in several areas to play with a quality team like Slippery Rock."

Jamie Heller, a forward for the Mountaineers, knows the team can learn from this game as well. "We didn't play up to our potential against Slippery Rock," Heller said. "As a result, we didn't have many scoring opportunities. We



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mounties' Megan Colbey scored a goal against Millersville this past week in a Mounties' 3-1 loss.

need to work on our teamwork if we want to compete in the PSAC."

On Sept. 13, the Mounties traveled to Millersville to face another tough PSAC team. The Mounties dropped their second game of the year as they lost to Millersville, 3-1. This time, Rodweller started in goal for the Mounties, but she gave up two goals in the first half.

About seven minutes into the second half, Mansfield cut the lead to 2-1 on a goal by Megan Colbey. Her goal was assisted by sophomore midfielder, Nicole Nycz. Heller had a scoring opportunity minutes later to tie the game up, but Slippery Rock's goalkeeper made a save to keep the score 2-1. In the second half, Miller played goal, giving up one goal with 19 minutes left in the game.

"We played much better against Millersville, but we just lost our emotion after the last goal they scored," Dempsey said. "We improved our level of play this game, but our intensity in the first half was poor."

Freshman forward, Erin Drum, felt that her team could have played harder. "We had no movement off the ball. We also waited for the ball to come to us," Drum said. "Millersville won about 90 percent of the free balls."

Heller attributes Mansfield's slow start partly to the weather conditions. "We weren't sure if we'd even get the game in," Heller said. So we weren't as prepared as we should've

been to start the game."

After four games this season, the Mounties are 1-2-1. The team knows that they need to keep playing hard if they want to compete in the PSAC.

"After two tough PSAC games, I saw a big difference in the intensity level between our team and the others," Dempsey said. "For a full 90 minutes, every player on those two schools played with passion. We are not matching that intensity."

"We've made some mental mistakes in each game, but we expect to be in every game for the remainder of the season," Heller said. "We just need someone to step up as our leader."

Drum focused more on the attitude of the team. "We just wanted those games handed to us," Drum said. "It's going to be tough, we just need to have a positive attitude."

"Hopefully as the season progresses, someone will emerge and light a fire under our butts on game day," Dempsey said.

Heller is looking for strong support from the campus for their first home game. "We're really hoping for a good turnout [on Wednesday]. We really like the positive reaction from the campus in regards to our team this year," Heller said.

The Mounties will play host to the Royals of the University of Scranton today at 4 p.m.

Cummings and Hall spike through competition at Penn State University

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield University cross country team competed in the Penn State University Spiked Shoe Invitational on Sept. 13 in State College.

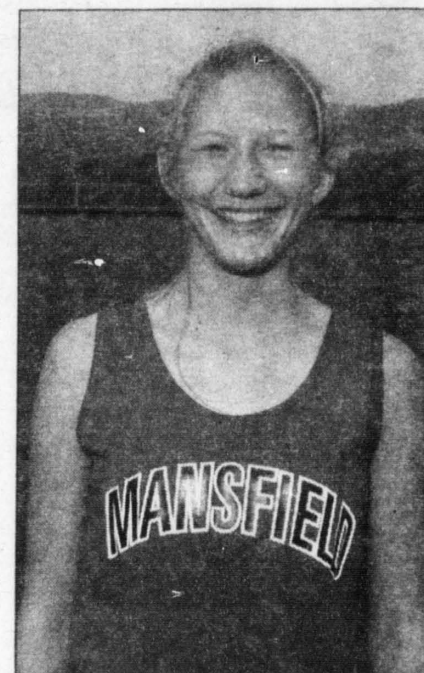
The Mounties ran in a pack of 184 runners from around the PSAC and other non-conference schools. Runners from Kutztown and California as well as Bloomsburg and Shippensburg were invited to race at the Penn State High School cross country course.

The Penn State men's and women's cross country teams topped the win column. The Lady Lions swept the top eight spots. Molly Landreth came in first for the Lady Lions at 21:19.67. Dan Mazzocco crossed the line first for Penn State in the men's competition at 26:01.95.

Danielle Kramer was the first woman to cross the line from a PSAC school. The Bloomsburg runner ran a time of 22:09.38. The Mansfield women made their way to the end as freshman Rachel Hall placed 53rd at 23:57.99. Jenna Phillips and Kristin Weller also helped gain points for the Mountaineers.

Overall, the women's team placed 10th in the Invitational. They were fifth out of all the PSAC teams. They averaged a time of 2:06:12.80.

Mansfield's Chris Cummings



SPORTS INFORMATION

Freshman Rachel Hall ran a race of 23:57.99 to help the women's team take fifth place in PSAC competition.

made an impressive first start for the Mounties. He was the first freshman to finish at the Spiked Shoe Invitational at 27:02.46.

Josh Wooten was next in line for the men. Wooten ran a time of 27:09.15. They placed in the 14th and 18th positions, respectively. The men finished 10th overall while placing third against the PSAC. The Mounties averaged a time of 2:21:04.95.

The Mounties will continue their season at the Salisbury Invitational on Sept. 27 in Salisbury, Md. The Golden Bears of Kutztown University will also take part in the race.

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Mansfield shakes off the Bengals

Mounties win second straight, shut out Buffalo State

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team improved to 2-0 with a 19-0 blanking of the Buffalo State Bengals on Saturday.

The shutout, combined with week one's shutout of Bowie State, marked the Mounties first back-to-back shutout wins since 1947.

For the second consecutive week, Mansfield's defense was stingy, allowing only 177 total yards to Buffalo State. The defense was led statistically by sophomore cornerback Ronnie Montgomery, who had a fumble recovery and two interceptions for the Mounties. Montgomery attributed the early season success of the defense to hard work behind the scenes.

"We practice hard every day, and we try not to even let our

"Defenses get credit for shutouts," head coach Chris Woods said. "But shutouts are really a team effort. If the offense doesn't keep pressure on them and get us great field position it's tough for any defense to get a shutout."

-Coach Chris Woods

offense score on us [in practice]," Montgomery said.

Montgomery's first quarter interception set up the opening score for Mansfield.

Four plays later, freshman running back Earnest McNeal exploded for a 47-yard touchdown, and after the extra point was missed, Mansfield led 6-0. The touchdown run was merely a preview of what was to come for McNeal, who had 209 yards on 18 carries, in only his second game as a Mountaineer. Senior Jason Roscoe also contributed in the running

game, adding 65 yards on 17 carries.

Despite gaining 224 yards in the first half, compared to Buffalo State's 57, Mansfield only led 6-0 at halftime. The Mountaineer offense was plagued by two fumbles, a turnover on downs and a penalty that negated a Roscoe touchdown run.

The Mounties came out, and just like in their opener versus Bowie State, scored a touchdown on the opening drive of the second half. The touchdown came courtesy of a 71-yard burst down the left side by McNeal, which made the score 12-0 in favor of the Mounties.

Later in the third quarter, the Mountaineers delivered the knockout shot, with an assist from the defense. Montgomery intercepted his second pass of the game, giving Mansfield superb field position at the Buffalo State 42-yard line.

It took the Mounties only three plays to punch it in from there, as quarterback Travis Motley connected with wide receiver Joe Bennett on a 26-yard touchdown pass, and when Chris Nigro knocked the ball through the uprights for Mansfield's first extra point conversion of the season, the Mounties led 19-0.

Motley was 13 of 21 for 145 yards and a touchdown. The Bennett brothers led the



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT

Mounties Brian DeCecco (75) runs down Buffalo States quarterback Mike Mikolaichik.

Mountaineers with four catches each, as Joe picked up 75 yards on his four receptions, and Dan gained 41 yards on his four catches.

Given a 19-0 lead, the Mansfield defense hunkered down, and set their sights on the shutout. Just like the week before, their efforts were successful, as the Mounties did not allow the Bengals into the red zone once the

entire game.

"Defenses get credit for shutouts," head coach Chris Woods said. "But shutouts are really a team effort. If the offense doesn't keep pressure on them and get us great field position, it's tough for any defense to get a shutout."

The Mounties will play the West Minster Titans at 1 p.m. this weekend at West Minster College.



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT

Mounties Earnest McNeal gained 212 yards in 18 carries along with two touchdowns in the Mounties 19-0 win over Buffalo State.

Mounties McNeal named PSAC offensive player of the week

Freshman running back Earnest "Poohbear" McNeal has been named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Offensive Player of the Week for his outstanding performance in the Mountaineers 19-0 victory over Buffalo State College on Sept. 13.

McNeal carried the ball 18 times for an average of 11.6 yards per carry and had touchdown runs of 47 and 71 yards. In addition, McNeal caught three passes for 13

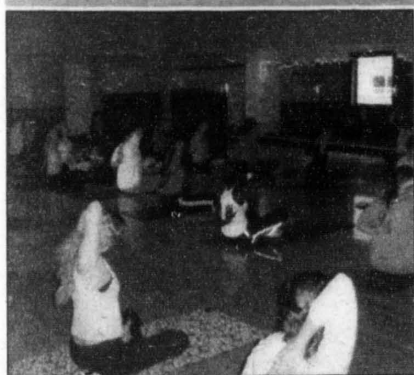
yards and returned four punts for 63 yards to register 285 all-purpose yards on the day.

His 209 rushing yards is the most in the PSAC in a game this season and the fifth most in a game in Mansfield University football history. McNeal currently ranks fourth in the PSAC in rushing yards per game (128.5) and first in yards per carry (8.3).

Mansfield is currently 2-0 on the season and has not been scored on in eight quarters of play.

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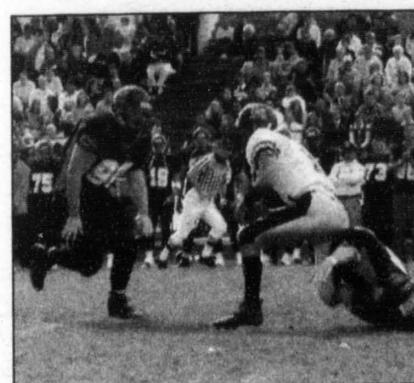
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Strike threatens state schools

By EMILEE DANIELSON

Flashlight Writer

With a possibly impending strike of faculty members in the state university system, could Fall Break be a bit longer this year for Mansfield Students?

All faculty members in the state system who are members of the Association of State College and University Faculty (APSCUF) have been working without a contract since June 30. During this time APSCUF representatives have been working with state system representatives to negotiate a new contract that is acceptable for both union members and the state system.

APSCUF, an employee

union which all Mansfield University teaching faculty and also some library employees and university secretaries belong to, represents not only Mansfield faculty, but also faculty from all 14 state universities. This week APSCUF union leaders will be holding a strike vote that all

APSCUF members will take part in. If it is passed, this vote will give union leaders permission to strike on behalf of the faculty if contract negotiations come to a complete standstill.

The proposed wage freezes and benefit reductions proposed by the state system representatives are issues holding up successfully drafting a new contract. With national health care becoming more expensive, premiums are expected to raise 17 percent nationally. The state system is asking faculty to change their contract so that they will be responsible to pay 10 percent of the 17 percent premium increase.

With paying more for health insurance coverage

combined with the wage freezes that the state system is also suggesting, faculty members would find themselves on the losing end of this new contract. At this point, neither side has been able to come to an acceptable compromise.

What does this mean for students? Hopefully it will have no effect on student life at MU. There has never been a faculty strike in the history of the Pennsylvania State University System, and no precedent for a faculty strike exists. Furthermore, in the U.S. faculty strikes at colleges and universities are also extremely uncommon. In the rare event of a strike, the average delay in the semester has only been a few days.

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Students at Slippery Rock University attend a rally to protest the impending strike.

Mansfield celebrates 1890's Weekend with a bang

By AMY KENDIG

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University Students and the Mansfield community witness a milestone weekend every September 26-27.

The first 1890's Weekend was held in 1992, it was in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the World's First Night Football Game.

At that time, only one quarter of Smythe Park was used for the festival. In comparison to this fall season, there is not enough room for all of the events occurring within those two days because it has become so popular.

"The grounds are full and we have no space, so it has expanded a lot, but we would never change the location," Dennis Miller, Director of Public Relations and Publications said, "It is important to have it in Smythe Park because it was where the original night football game took place."

The coordinators of the 1890's festival are having difficulties fitting every game, food stand and booth because there are three times as many organizations participating in 1890's Weekend than when it first began.

This year an array of new attractions have been scheduled for the

weekend of fun festivities to enjoy.

"There is a lot of the same, but there is a lot of new," Miller said.

New bands, such as the Morgan Valley Road Band and Aces: Coming A-cappella will be performing.

Also, musical talents such as the Mansfield University Saxophone Quartet, and The Ellison Collection: MU A-cappella will be performing at 1890's Weekend.

A key attraction that will be on display at the festival is a 19th Century school bus that was purchased at an auction. The historic school bus was actually used in the Mansfield area.

Among all of the new attractions that have been brought in for the public is the Clyde Peeling Reptile Show that will hold a reptile demonstration in the main tent.

Another difference that people should expect is the Civil War Demonstration, and a whole new fireworks display by Pyrotecnico.

"Look out for one intense firework display," Miller said.

The people who coordinate 1890's Weekend try to get new things that everyone is going to like. However, they try to keep it family

oriented because that is very important.

"I try really hard every year to add things based on the feedback I get from students and the community, Miller said. "For example, that is why we brought back the hot dog eating contest because we wanted some more events for college-aged people."

This festival has become one of the main events that draw people into the town.

1890's Weekend has also established a stronger bond between students and the community over the years. The community and students do not have that gap between them like they use to in the past and this event has changed things around tremendously for Mansfield as a whole.

"It has established better relationships all the way around in a sense that the 1890's committee is made of university people and the community," Miller said.

The 1890's Weekend itself has evolved over the years, but there are some basic things that will never change. The Motorless Parade, the reenactment of the first night football game, and the fireworks display are always set in the

schedule for 1890's Weekend.

"Some of those things will change, but some of those things will always remain the same to keep that 1890's feel because it is really unique to this region and to the college, Miller said, "People take it for granted, but MU gets international publicity because we played the first night game and nobody in the world did it."

1890's Weekend has been progressing and changing in such a dynamic way those parents, students, faculty, and people from the community keep coming back for more.

"There is not any one thing that people come for, Miller said, "I think they come for the feeling of just getting away from the 21st century."



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One of the attractions of 1890's Weekend is the barbershop quartet.

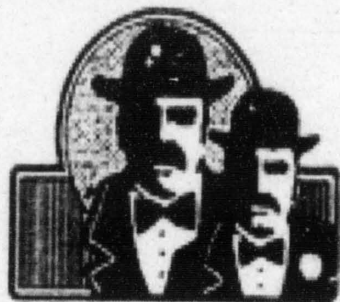
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September 16 2003 - Criminal Mischief- Damage was done to a parked car along Pinecrest Drive. The nature of the damage is undetermined but the value of property damaged is \$100.00.

September 17, 2003 - Misdemeanor- Mansfield University student reported that a Sony Playstation with three games (Madden 03, Madden 04, Vice City), a stereo, three DVD's (*Scarface*, *Love and Basketball*, *He Got Game*) and \$10.00 in quarters were missing from his dorm room in Maple. All items valued at \$175.00.

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★ **The aquaculture club is a club for everyone.** There are several activities planned for the fall and some already for the spring. Activities include: white water rafting, paint ball, hiking and camping, a fishing trip to Erie for steelhead, hunting, 1890's week bake sale, Big Man on Campus, and possibly even Homecoming. The club meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. by the Grant Science tables and dues are only \$5 a semester.

★ **A Russian exchange student has lost her passport.** Someone apparently took it from her dorm room. The passport is red, about three inches by five inches, and has Russian characters on the front, as well as English letters saying "Russian Federation." If anyone should come across it, please take it to the campus police.

★ **A publication party for the 2003 issue of Edge City**, MU's student literary magazine, will be held Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. in Jazzman's Café. All are welcome to attend. Contributors to the magazine will give public readings of their poetry and prose. Refreshments and free copies of Edge City will be available. Sponsored by the Mu Xi Literary Society and the Student Activities Fee.

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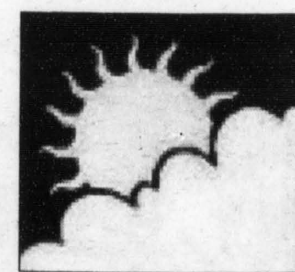
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Weekly Weather Forecast



Today- Partly cloudy, high of 70°F, overnight low of 49°F.

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Friday- Partly cloudy, high of 66°F, overnight low of 46°F.

Saturday- Showers, high of 67°F, overnight low of 44°F.

Sunday- Few showers, high of 66°F, overnight low of 42°F.

Monday- Partly cloudy, high of 65°F, overnight low of 46°F.

Tuesday- Showers, high of 66°F, overnight low of 46°F.

Info. Taken from Weather.com

What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

World News

LONDON- Former U.N. chief weapons inspector Hans Blix attacked the "spin and hype" behind U.S. and British allegations of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction to justify war. Blix went on to state that he believed that Iraq had destroyed its chemical and biological weapons program ten years ago, and that British and American intelligence services "over-interpreted" the intelligence to justify military action in Iraq.

VATICAN CITY-A top cardinal at the Vatican has entered the controversy over Mel Gibson's new movie "The Passion" praising it as a "triumph of art" and rejecting fears that the film will bring about a new wave of anti-Semitism. Last month the Anti-Defamation League protested the film saying that it portrays the Jewish people as a mob; responsible for the decision to crucify Christ, and worry that a new hatred of Jews could result. Several Jewish organizations in the U.S. have reported an increase in hate mail and calls, and attribute it to the soon-to-be release of the controversial film.

IRAQ- 3 U.S. soldiers were killed and another 13 wounded in a mortar and bombing attack in a volatile, central region on the outskirts of Baghdad. An assassination attempt on a member of Iraq's Governing Council preceded the attack on U.S. forces, which occurred at 10 PM Saturday evening. The deaths are the latest in an array of attacks against U.S. servicemen, which have been occurring regularly since President Bush declared an end to major combat several months ago.

MOZAMBIQUE- Bill Gates, the world's richest man and founder of Microsoft Corporation has donated \$168 million to fight Malaria. Urging the world to intensify its battle against the disease, Gates stated, "It's time to treat Africa's malaria epidemic like the crisis it is." Malaria is the biggest killer in Africa alongside HIV/AIDS killing an estimated 3,000 children a day.

LONDON- A report by Downing Street's Strategy has shown that Britons are the worst of all Europeans in terms of binge drinking. The report also stated that women are catching up to men in the heavy-drinking arena, and that 40% of all drinking in Great Britain is considered to be at or above the binge drinking level. The guide-

lines for binge drinking were 3-4 units of alcohol per day for men, and 2-3 for women. Rounding out the list of binge drinking nations in Europe are Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Italy and France.

National News

TORONTO- A wide, deep and cold river was discovered in Canada's largest city last month. Scientists estimate that the river has been there for at least a million years, and was discovered by workers who were capping two wells, when a water main broke causing the water to spew out 15 feet into the air. As the cap on the first was being repaired, the second blew off shooting up water and gravel. According to hydrogeologist Steve Holysh, "the existence of a bedrock valley was first documented in the first half of the century, but its exact location remained a mystery."



WASHINGTON D.C.- Retired General Wesley Clark has thrown his name into the ring of presidential politics. In a Newsweek poll released just after his announcement, Clark was among the leaders of the Democratic candidates garnering 14% of the vote, and was not far behind President Bush. Topping out the group was former Vermont Governor Howard Dean, Connecticut Senator Joe Lieberman, and Massachusetts Senator John Kerry.

WASHINGTON D.C.- Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, mastermind of the 9-11 attacks on the U.S. has told American interrogators that he first discussed the plan of attack with Osama bin Laden as far back as 1996, and that the original plan called for the hijacking of five commercial jets on each coast of the United States. The plan was later amended, and U.S. authorities are still investigating whether Mohammed may deliberately be trying to provide misinformation.

Information taken from
Yahoo! news
and CNN.com

MAC busy making plans for Fall

By JEANNETTE ESTEVES
Flashlight Writer

A new year has begun for Mansfield Activities Council and this year is full of various activities for Mansfield's faculty and students.

According to Clarence Crisp, Director of Student Activities, Skydiving over Clinton Street with Xtreme Air had to be cancelled last week due to rain from the hurricane. It has been rescheduled for Oct. 10, students fly for free with their student ID.

The Zanzibar has many events occurring this semester. Watch out for different themes every Friday and Saturday as well as weekly late night activities for fraternities and sororities.

Zanzibar is also hosting movie night, where a movie will be played once a day on the weekends. First run movies will be movies that are still on VHS and major movies, which are DVD's, will be decided later when there is a set list made.

"Zanzibar is a good place to be, but the students need to keep in mind that the campus drinking policy must be

upheld," Crisp said.

This past weekend students took a bus to Darien Lake where they enjoyed the amusement park atmosphere including rides, water events, games and a picnic area. According to Crisp, the student activities department started out with one bus, but had to order three more with the high demand of tickets.

Once again the Bloomsburg Fair is coming up on Saturday, where all can enjoy games, music, and food.

Mansfield's newest event the Psychedelic Casino, will be coming on October 4. Some features will be the Hendricks's Oxygen Bar, and table screens to show movies while you "gamble."

Every year MAC tries to have a concert for MU students. Crisp mentioned that this year's concert performer will be 3 Doors Down and that October 24 will be the set date. Ticket sales will be announced at a later date.

"I have a lot of student support, and the students are

involved in all of these activities. I have a good crew," Crisp said.

Coming soon are the Homecoming events, so come out and join the festivities, beginning October 11. There will be events like Skydiving on Clinton Street, a Homecoming Pep Rally featuring the Mounties Marching Band, Mounties Cheerleaders, Mounties Football team, and Hall of Fame inductees, plus much more.



Photo provided by MAC
Psychedelic Casino Night game.

Students at Kelchner say 'Ohm'

By PAM KLINE
Flashlight Writer

Some people may dismiss yoga as new-age fluff that only requires its participants to sit cross-legged and chant, "Ohm;" however, last Thursday, 26 people that gathered in the aerobics room of Kelchner Fitness Center can now set skeptics straight.

According to instructor Jeanne Gaugler, there is actually a lot of science behind yoga. Each posture,

or position, that participants assume, has physical benefits, from opening the chest and hips to improving circulation and posture. More generally, yoga relaxes people and boosts the ability to focus.

Although all yoga has mental and physical benefits, not all yoga is the same. Both Zen and Raji yoga focus more on meditation. Kripalu yoga, which is the form being taught to the

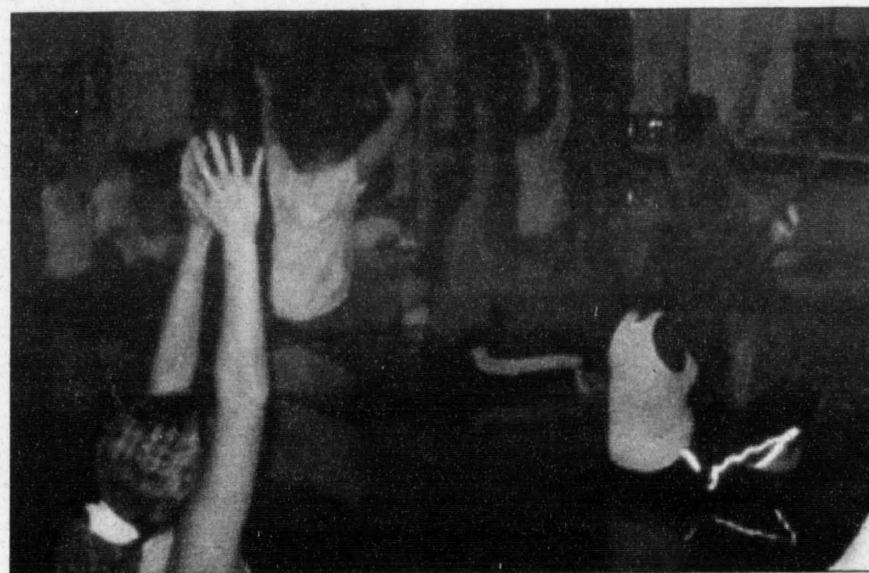
students at Kelchner, focuses on "breath, body, and spirit."

Through breathing, "you learn to relax," Gaugler explains.

Many parts of the body do not receive sufficient oxygen because of people's sitting habits. The yoga postures allow those cells to get oxygen with "better breathing." In turn, the larger oxygen supply helps the body to heal itself.

Anthony D'Agostino, a freshman music education major, says that he took the yoga class because, "A lot of people told me it was fun and relaxing, and that it would help [me] musically." He feels that the best part of the class is "learning the different positions."

The yoga classes at Kelchner take place every Thursday until Thanksgiving break from 4:30 to 5:45 pm. Although 26 people have already signed up for the class, there is room for a maximum of 35 participants. Students who have yoga mats are encouraged to bring them, but Gaugler provides the minimal equipment needed (mats and ties).



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT
Yoga students at Kelchner Fitness center stretch during a class.

Sale helps teams stay on track

BY KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University track and cross country teams will hold their annual sneaker sale tomorrow from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. in the Kelchner Fitness Center.

Proceeds from the sale directly benefit team funds. Due to a prosperous first run last spring, the track and cross country teams have booked another shoe sale to take place this semester. Secret Sneaker, a company based in Lancaster, PA provides all the shoes needed for this fundraiser.

The company reported that Mansfield University had one of the best first time turnouts for this type of sale. The sneaker sale was so popular last semester, the Kelchner Fitness center received over 600 additional occupants.

"In the spring, before finals, we average about 300 people per day that come to the fitness center,"

Hugh Schintzius, Recreation Director of the Kelchner Fitness Center said, "On the day of the Sneaker Sale last spring about 900 people were counted, meaning that 600 came specifically for the sale."

Many types of shoes will be available at the Sneaker Sale. Some brands include Columbia, Nike, New Balance, Addias, and K-Swiss, in styles ranging from hiking boots, to casual shoes, and even dress shoes.

The sneaker sale's low prices may be part of the reason the fundraiser is so successful.

"Prices are very good," head track and cross country coach, Michael Rohl, head track and cross country coach said, "The shoes start at \$10, and reflect prices of 40 to 80 percent off retail."

Proceeds from the Sneaker Sale benefit the track and cross country team in many different ways.

Through fundraising, the team is not only able to purchase new equipment and uniforms, but is able to offer scholarships as well.

Coach Michael Rohl helps the fundraising effort by offering a class named "Walking for Fitness" that is held on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The coach also provides home-schooled students with opportunities to keep physically fit by offering "swim and gym" classes.

"All of the profits received from these classes directly benefit fundraising for the track and cross country teams," Rohl said, "The classes are also beneficial because they serve the community as well."

The track and cross country teams are currently looking into more fundraisers to schedule this year. One of them includes a car raffle, where tickets will be sold for a chance to win a Pontiac Sunfire.

STRIKE, from p. 1

Even as APSCUF and state system representatives work to come to an agreement the powers that be here at Mansfield are working towards taking the appropriate measures for students. Mansfield, like all universities in Pennsylvania, is required to have a strike plan that would be put into effect in the event that one should take place. The strike plan should include specific university procedure based on the projected length of the strike. It should also include planning for student affairs, student housing and cafeteria operations, and also a plan for a possible extension of the semester if it is needed. Although a strike plan should include all of these things, the details of Mansfield University's strike plan were not available at this time.

Steve Bronn in the Administration and Finance Department is doubtful that a

strike will take place. "I would hope that with good people involved both sides will do what is best for the students," Bronn said in reference to the possibility of a strike. Student Trustee and Vice President of SGA Brett Carpenter is also confident that life at Mansfield will continue as usual. However, he is proceeding with caution. "This is a serious issue, no one should be making light of it, faculty or students. I see it [strike] getting very close," Carpenter predicted, "but I am hoping the faculty will keep the students in mind."

For now, all that faculty and students can do is wait and see. Although a strike is unlikely, in the event of one students will be kept informed and provided with the information they need. Any student with questions or concerns should call the office of the Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Shari Clarke, x4930.

MU students rank North Hall highly in online survey

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

Would it surprise you to know that in a recent survey North Hall ranked as high as, if not higher than, the libraries in some very prominent private schools?

It sounds amazing, but it's completely true, thanks to the results of last semester's library survey. Students all over the United States took the online questionnaire, rating their own university libraries in four areas: access to information, affect of service, the library as a place and personal control. North Hall exceeds users' minimum expectations, and is undergoing some changes to exceed their maximum expectations as well.

"The students should feel really good about the quality of education they're receiving at Mansfield," Larry Nesbit, Director of Information Resources, said. "We're doing as well as some very prestigious, elite private schools."

In the "access to information" area of the survey, it was found that MU students are "very satisfied" with the electronic and print collections in our library, as well as the document delivery service. However, students want more speed in deliveries, both from North Hall and from services such as InterLibrary Loan and E-ZBorrow. To help realize this need, the library staff is continuing to

invest in electronic resources such as journals, databases and document delivery services, and is also looking at a service that would allow users to download audio samples from the library homepage and listen to them in their own rooms. For example, if a music student was given an assignment to listen to Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, he or she could stay in the comfort of their room and listen to the selection online.

"Affect of service" basically means the "human element" of the library. The survey showed that library users are "very satisfied" with the service they receive from library personnel, who encompass everyone from Nesbit to the student worker who greets you at the front desk. The current training process for student workers reminds them to say hello and good-bye to everyone who walks through the door, and to be as approachable as possible so students don't feel uncomfortable asking questions.

"The library as a place" category exceeded all other scores, and was given the highest possible ratings in the survey. It was learned that 20% of all undergraduates visit the library daily, while 70% pay a weekly visit to North Hall. Still, those numbers could be higher. "You can't rest on your laurels," Matt Syrett, Reference Librarian, said. "We need to

always be getting better."

Some ideas that are in the works include work stations that facilitate group media projects (DVD players, computers, audio players) and a café with magazines, light refreshments and background music.

Finally, the results for the section labeled "personal control," which means the ease of finding materials without assistance, indicated that library users are satisfied with the navigability of North Hall's website. However, an idea that may soon come to fruition is that of a search engine on the homepage that allows users to search all of the

library's electronic resources and digital collections all at once.

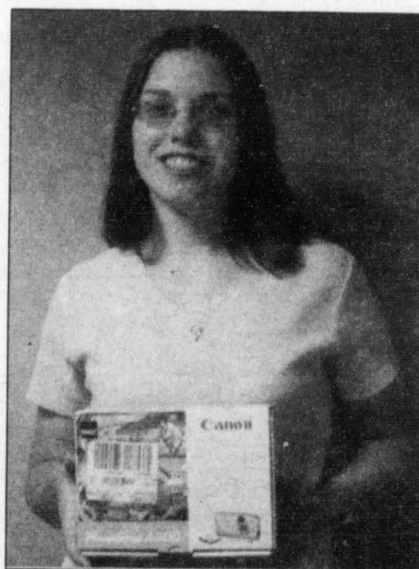
When all is said and done, students at MU are more than satisfied with the resources that are provided to them through North Hall.

To drive that point home, Nesbit mentioned some statistics about the library. Even though Mansfield is the second-smallest of the 14 State System for Higher Education schools, our students lead the SSHE in items checked out of the library. The median statistic is 7.72 items checked out per year for each

student at any given school; Mansfield checks in at 21.04 items per student per year. MU students also request 7400 InterLibrary-Loan items per year, a number that falls just about in the middle of the other schools' numbers.

That's still not enough for Nesbit and Syrett, though, who are seeing to it that our library will continue to grow and change along with its student body.

"It's very impressive, but we have a lot of things yet to do," Nesbit said.



SARAH STOERMER/THE FLASHLIGHT
MU student and survey participant Hilary Blakeslee (right) was picked at random to win a digital camera.

Congratulations to the following *Flashlight* writers for being awarded "Article of the Week" for the September 17 issue:

NEWS:

Amy Kendig - "Artwork by MU alumni featured in Mansfield gallery"

FEATURES:

Sean Hair - "Man in black' cashes out"

SPORTS:

Jonathan Schwab - "Mansfield shakes off the Bengals"

Movie Review: "Lost In Translation"

By ANDRE BENNETT
Flashlight Guest Writer

In Sofia Coppola's *Lost in Translation*, people ask movie star Bob Harris (Bill Murray) how he's doing. He never really answers, but pauses and gives a sort of half-smile with a bit of a sigh, as if he's afraid to admit how his life is going. He's in Tokyo "getting two million dollars to shoot a whiskey commercial when I could be doing a play," so he tells Charlotte, the lovely young woman he's met at the hotel bar. Charlotte is in Tokyo with her husband, John, a rock photographer on assignment. Bob's wife is at home, but remains a constant presence during his visit via fax and telephone, where she queries him on the color of carpet and style of shelves he wants in his study. Bob's career and marriage are in a rut. Charlotte doesn't know what to do with her philosophy degree and has lost touch with the man she married. What's more, both of them feel isolated and disconnected from everyone else in Tokyo. The two of them decide that if they're going to miserable, they might as well be miserable together.

Lost in Translation is a tribute to

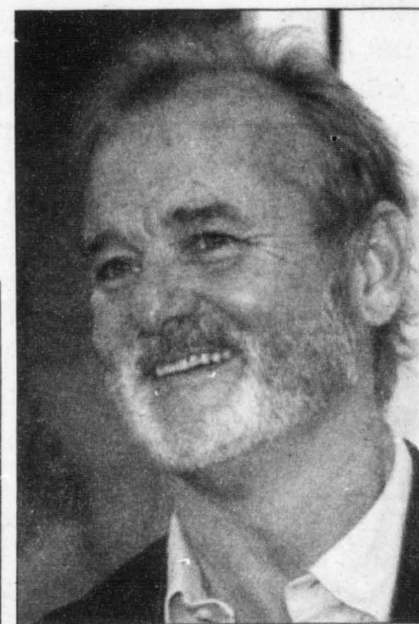
the surprising friendships that can develop between lonely travelers. You know, the conversations that start on planes and buses, or in bars, wherein people share things they wouldn't share with most others. These are the times when you speak to someone for thirty minutes and feel like you've known them thirty years. Bob and Charlotte begin to spend their nights together, out on the streets of Tokyo with some of her friends, and as they spend more time with each other, they grow more fond of each other. But don't think they'll automatically fall in love, because Sofia Coppola's script is much too smart to fall for that old chestnut. The story is in service to the characters, rather than vice-versa, so while such a relationship seems possible, nothing is ever assumed. There is a twist, towards the end, but it took me somewhat by surprise. I won't spoil it, but it is a credit to Ms. Coppola's script that nothing here seems predictable.

Fans of Scarlett Johansson might find this movie familiar, as it seems similar to her recent film *Ghost World*. That film followed two misfits feeling lost and out of place in their own surroundings, but *Lost in Translation* just follows two people lost in another place where they have little grasp on the language and culture. In this movie, Tokyo is a truly alien place, and there are some bizarre moments, such as

touching scene, much like the rest of Murray's performance. Even his physical comedy is grounded, with the exception of one scene I found a bit out of place involving an elliptical trainer. Bob Harris is a man

ance of his career. He strikes the perfect note of wry, sardonic humor, under which lay a surprisingly well-acted sadness, even more so than as sad-sack industrialist Herman Blume in *Rushmore*. No scene is this more apparent than in the karaoke scene. As I said before, there are traces of Nick, the lounge singer, when he tears into Elvis Costello's "(What's So Funny 'Bout) Peace, Love and Understanding." It is his second cover that proves quite tender, a rendition of Roxy Music's "More Than This." As he sings it, and gazes over at Charlotte, you can see and hear him begin to unravel. It's in the way he looks at her. It's in his voice.

By the end of the movie, the chemistry between Bob and Charlotte is so strong that what they're saying doesn't matter nearly as much as what they aren't saying. When they look at each other, you can instantly tell how they feel toward each other. When they have their one real argument, the story is told almost entirely in their eyes. The lines they exchange seem almost like throwaways, until you realize that these people say these things because they have to say something, perhaps to prevent themselves from admitting they may have fallen in love. Maybe they have to keep the mood light because they know deep inside that they will probably never see each other again. The strength of *Lost in Translation* lies in crafting a friendship so believable and strong, yet so obviously temporary, that we hope there is a chance of Bob and Charlotte meeting again. When they exchange their inaudible last words, we are left with a glimmer of hope that the two strangers may continue to keep in touch. Even if their friendship doesn't last, the experience will always be with them. Thanks to Sofia Coppola's brilliant script and assured direction, and career-topping performances from Murray and Johansson, the experience will remain with us as well.



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(Above) Bill Murray smiles at a camera in Venice: (left) Scarlett Johansson in a scene from the movie.

YOSHIO SATO/FOCUS FEATURES

Bob's encounter with a prostitute sent to his room by his clients, and his appearance on a Japanese talk show. Sofia Coppola excels at illustrating Tokyo's lack of familiarity, and she handles her cast incredibly well. The last time I saw Scarlett Johansson was in Terry Zwigoff's excellent *Ghost World*, but even then, she seemed to take a back seat to Thora Birch and Steve Buscemi. Here, she gets her chance to shine opposite Bill Murray, and she makes the most of it. While it's still hard for me to buy her as a potential romantic foil for Murray (mainly because she's just a year older than my little brother!), her vulnerability is perfect for Charlotte, and her smile never fails to brighten a shot.

Giovanni Ribisi and Anna Faris (as Charlotte's husband and one of his movie star friends, respectively) are pretty good too, for their limited screen time. However, the movie undoubtedly belongs to Bill Murray. Sofia Coppola wrote the role for him to give him a chance to show off the range he hinted at in *Rushmore*, and he really lets loose, in a manner of speaking. He doesn't become a manic spaz or default to his old fast-talking persona, and his lounge singer character only creeps up once, in a scene involving karaoke. It's actually a subtle, even

who doesn't want to be found. He bristles every time he sees his illustration on a Suntory whiskey billboard. He shrinks away when people recognize him and ask him if he did his own driving in one of his films. His indignance quickly gives way to quiet resignation when Japanese directors and photographers try to advise him on how to pitch whiskey. Some critics have said that Bob Harris is an entirely new direction for Murray, but I disagree. I think that Bob Harris is really a reflection of what might have become of Bill Murray had he not become an indie darling with *Rushmore*. His trademarked sense of smart-ass humor is there, but rather than display it in full force, Murray wisely disguises it beneath a sense of exasperation. He could be funny, if he felt like it. Maybe that's the joke, that Bob is Bill Murray when the lights are off and the camera no longer rolls, at a low point in his professional and personal life. Bob could very well represent Murray after *The Man Who Knew Too Little* and *Larger than Life*, two duds that could have signaled career death had Wes Anderson not used him so masterfully in *Rushmore*.

Whatever Bob represents, it is certain that Bill Murray is giving the best, most versatile perform-

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Cabin Fever (R)



"Mountie" mascot makes a comeback

By THERESA BENNER
Flashlight Features Co-Editor

The fall of 2003 marked a semester of change at Mansfield University. Dining services opened the newly remodeled food court, the Alumni Hall Union Building received a new name and many new features, and thanks in part to the help of new Vice President Dr. Shari Clarke the university has purchased and established a new mountie costume that brings back the traditional frontier-style mountaineer.

"The return of the mascot is pivotal. Institutions need to wrap themselves around their traditions and history which helps in defining who they are," Clarke said.

Clarke explained that bringing back the original mascot has been a student led initiative that she has helped to facilitate.

"We're revitalizing the mascot and bringing back the 'old' mountaineer image," Ryan Brown, founder of the Spirit Committee at Mansfield, said.

Brown, a junior elementary education major, explained that the university received many complaints that the old mascot used by the cheerleaders at MU sporting events was too "animated." The costume was also very restrictive and problematic to individuals wearing the suit.

"I don't think anyone taller than 5'2" could even fit into the costume, and it didn't have any arms which prohibited anyone in it from doing anything," Brown said.

The "new" mountaineer costume is actually based on a similar costume worn

for several years by Mansfield local Al Smith. Smith worked as an electrician on campus and proudly represented Mansfield University as the Mountaineer for several years. His image is featured in several paintings and portraits displayed across campus, including the likeness painted on the side of the Mountie Express.

The costume was made locally and ties into the heritage of the Northern Tier. The outfit is made of elk suede, the hat is raccoon, and overall the piece is truly reflective of the period.

"Student reaction has been more positive to the traditional style mascot than what it was with the 'cartoon' looking one," Brown said.

When the idea of bringing back the traditional mountaineer was suggested Smith expressed interest in continuing as the mascot, but had to decline due

to severe arthritis. Mansfield student Carrie Coley is currently acting as the mascot, and interestingly enough, Coley is of direct relation to original Mountaineer Smith.

Although, the frontier mountaineer is not technically the original mascot of Mansfield University. The mascot was initially a hillbilly character that was used throughout the early 1900's. This mascot was discarded because it was seen as an embarrassment to the university.

"The mascot looked like the assistant coach in *The Waterboy*," Brown explained.

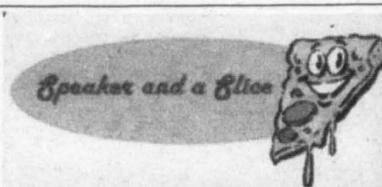
Students and faculty can expect to see the new mountaineer costume at a variety of MU events, not just athletics. "The mascot is not just an athletic figure. It is the rock that holds together the university's pride," Brown said.

MOUNTAINEERS



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The original Mountaineer mascot; today, the mascot costume is much the same except for the



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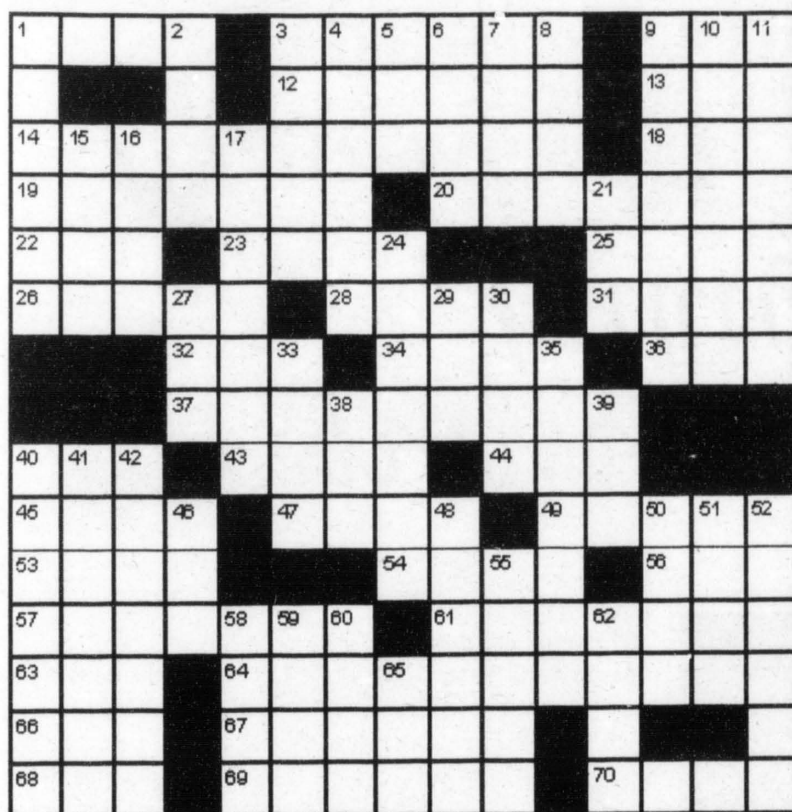
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3. Incorrect past tense of smite
9. Dodge emblem
12. Roman statesman and orator
13. Cheer for a matador

14. Ice cream parlor order
18. Just acquainted with
19. Conspicuous
20. Trap
22. Weight unit
23. Employs

25. Golden Rule word
 26. Facilitates
 28. Relax
 31. Wedding cake structure
 32. Oolong or Pekoe
 34. Spiral
 36. Lib or Nauseam preceder
 37. Red-haired comedian
 40. Type of dance
 43. Peel off
 44. Rowboat need
 45. Mr. Redding
 47. Obnoxious person
 49. First five books of the Hebrew Scriptures
 53. Fall heavily
 54. Pageant participant's accessory
 56. Comedian Philips
 57. Card game
 61. Lessen the value of
 63. Whole
 64. Fruit flavored mineral
 66. Dined
 67. Type of photography
 68. _____ and feather
 69. Toilet paper description
 70. Oven or baseball
- Down
1. Gum or bath

2. Spoiled child
3. Looks over quickly
4. Male title
5. Band from the Big Top?
6. Kinesis or Marketer preceder
7. Leprechauns' home
8. Connect the _____
9. Country near the Black Sea
10. Warned
11. Shooting stars
15. Dark Angel star Jessica
16. River of western British Columbia
17. Urges to vomit
21. Pecan or Cashew
24. "Gone in Sixty _____"
27. Et al. cousin
29. Drunkard
30. LaToya's Brother
33. Noah's boats
35. Despises
38. Spanish word for river
39. Expert
40. Outer layer of nail polish
41. Capital of Georgia
42. Venturer into the unknown
46. Mineral springs resort
48. Relating to sacred rites
50. Taking back merchandise

- because of debt
51. Prayer closing
52. Terms of endearment
55. Timidly
58. Jazz singing without actual words
59. Well developed muscle
60. Dynamic or nautics prefix
62. Extremely small amount
65. Tear

Puzzle by TINA KAMBOURIS

Last week's solution:



The most wasted of all days
is one without laughter.
-E.E. Cummings

Cartoon Characters

By TINA KAMBOURIS

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BEAVIS
CARTMAN
COW AND CHICKEN
DEXTER
FAMILY GUY
GARFIELD
GI JOE
GOKU

GUMMI BEARS
HEATHCLIFF
HOMER SIMPSON
INSPECTOR GADGET
MUPPET BABIES
PIKACHU
POWERPUFF GIRLS
REN AND STIMPY

SCOOBY DOO
SPACE GHOST
SPIDERMAN
TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES
THUNDERCATS
TRANSFORMERS
WINNIE THE POOH
YOGI BEAR

Residence Life Movies

Channel 10

This weeks scheduled movies:

Thursday

- 5 p.m.- *Good Will Hunting*
7:30 p.m.- *Selena*
10 p.m.- *Chicago*
12:30 a.m.- *Across The Atlantic: Behind The Lindberg Legend*

Saturday

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Friday

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Remembering Ritter

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

Her words said exactly what needed to be said, "You are truly one of life's GREATEST comedians. God Bless you and your family. One last thing; Can I have this dance?" These words, in the form of a tribute from a grieving fan and placed at his star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame could not have adequately portrayed the impact this larger-than-life man has had on our nation and the world.

John Ritter, best known for his work on the 1970's comedy hit *Three's Company*, died Thursday, September 11th from an undetected heart problem. He was 54 years old. Born on September 17, 1948

in Burbank California, John was educated at Hollywood High School where he served as student body president. After attending the University of Southern California for two years, he met an attractive girl who convinced him to take a drama class, which is where he found his passion for performing.

He began his career in 1968 appearing in several stage performances in England, Scotland, Holland and Germany, but it was his role as Jack Tripper, the panty-chasing bachelor, which propelled him to stardom. It

was the eight very successful years of *Three's Company* which landed him an Emmy, Golden Globe Award, and allowed him to make the jump to the silver screen in his first film debut, *The Barefoot Executive*. Ritter would go on to star in several films including, *My Brother's Wife*, *Real Men*, & *Skin Deep*, however it was on the small screen that he had the greatest impact.

In addition to several guest appearances on *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, *The Love Boat*, and *MASH* to name a few, this prolific actor even appeared in childbirth and CPR videos for the American Red Cross. Most recently he made his comeback in the ABC sitcom *8 Simple Rules for Dating my Teenage Daughter*, co-starring with Katy Segal, former star of

Married With Children. He most recently appeared on *Chicago Hope* and *Touched By an Angel*. Ritter was married twice, once to actress Nancy Morgan who he divorced after 19 years, and with whom he has three children, and his current wife, actress Amy Yasbeck, with whom he has a five-year-old daughter.

Upon hearing of John's death, Joyce Dewitt, his co-star from *Three's Company* issued a statement saying, "I can't find words to express my sorrow. It's such a great loss to the joy in the world." After three decades with John, he will be missed dearly."



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John Ritter most recently starred in the ABC sitcom *8 Simple Rules for Dating my Teenage Daughter*.

CD review: Soak, Rachel Farris

By TOM BEGGS

Special to the Flashlight

These days its very rare to find music you can really feel. It is even harder to find an artist who writes their own music and lyrics as well as co-produces their own record. All this you can find in Rachel Farris' debut album "Soak".

You can hear the passion she has for her music in her voice. Everyone out there can relate to atleast one song on this album.

A great song is "So Good". This song reminds me of all the friends I lost over stupid stuff. This is one song anyone can and probably will relate to.

I got to do a brief interview with her about her first single and her experience recording the album.

Tom: What was the motivation behind your first single "I'm Not the Girl"?

Rachel: I wrote "I'm Not the Girl" about people in my life who expected me to be a cer-

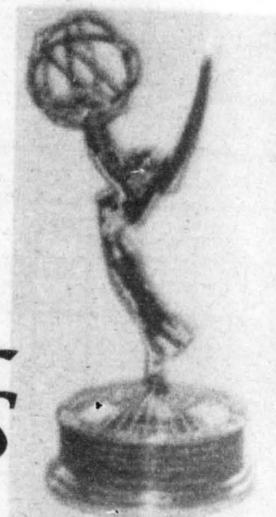
tain way. They would judge me by what they thought I was like instead of knowing me and seeing what I was like. A lot of people thought it was about a boyfriend but its funny cause it wasn't, but relationships often have the same expectations of us too.

Tom: How was it recording the album?

Rachel: Working with them (Dino and John Elefante) on the album was great! I really enjoyed it and it was such a honor to be in their studio. I'm so grateful they liked my songs and wanted to work with me. We had fun and worked hard and it really flowed between the three of us during the recording. They're also very funny Italian guys so I tried to learn some of the lingo. Plus, two brothers, working together...they were hilarious.

Farris is currently planning a college campus tour. So be on the lookout for her. If you want to hear some of her music you can go to www.rachelsmusic.com.

55th Emmy Awards



Outstanding Lead Actor In A Comedy Series
Ray Romano as Raymond
Everybody Loves Raymond

Outstanding Lead Actor In A Drama Series
Michael Chiklis as Detective Vic Mackey
The Shield

Outstanding Lead Actor In A Miniseries Or A Movie
Albert Finney as Winston Churchill
The Gathering Storm

Outstanding Lead Actress In A Comedy Series
Jennifer Aniston as Rachel
Friends

Outstanding Lead Actress In A Drama Series
Allison Janney as C.J. Cregg
The West Wing

Outstanding Lead Actress In A Miniseries Or A Movie
Laura Linney as Iris Bravard
Wild Iris

Outstanding Supporting Actor In A Comedy Series
Brad Garret as Robert
Everybody Loves Raymond

Outstanding Supporting Actor In A Drama Series
John Spencer as Leo McGarry
The West Wing

Outstanding Supporting Actor In A Miniseries Or A Movie
Michael Moriarty as Winton Dean
James Dean

Outstanding Supporting Actress In A Comedy Series
Doris Roberts as Marie
Everybody Loves Raymond



Outstanding Supporting Actress In A Drama Series
Stockard Channing as Abigail Bartlet
The West Wing

Outstanding Supporting Actress In A Miniseries Or A Movie
Stockard Channing as Judy Shepard
The Matthew Shepard Story

Outstanding Individual Performance In A Variety Or Music Program
Sting
A&E In Concert: Sting In Tuscany

Outstanding Comedy Series
Friends

Outstanding Drama Series
The West Wing

Outstanding MiniSeries
Band of Brothers

Outstanding Made For Television Movie
The Gathering Storm

Outstanding Variety, Music, Or Comedy Series
Late Show With David Letterman

Outstanding Variety, Music Or Comedy Special
America: A Tribute To Heroes

Outstanding Director For A Comedy Series
Michael Patrick King
Sex And The City
"The Real Me"

Outstanding Writing For A Comedy Series
Larry Wilmore
The Bernie Mac Show

Outstanding Writing For A Variety, Music, Or Comedy Program
Cast and Writers for
Saturday Night Live



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'The Underworld' thrills viewers

By STACEY FREEDERS
Special to the Flashlight

This most anticipated gothic action thriller, directed by Len Wiseman, opened this weekend with the public's arms open to its morbid charms. *The Underworld*, which stars Kate Beckinsale and Scott Speedman, did not fail to bring in audiences all over the country. With its dark and action packed sequences, it earned itself the top spot at the box office it's opening weekend earning over 93 million dollars.

The uniquely original storyline merges two unrelated folklore genres in a plot full of twists and conspiracies between vampires and werewolves which gives this movie the capacity to entertain all spectrums of ones imagination. The dark and gothic atmosphere surrounding the scenes are always enhanced by the incredible special effects and the elegant and sophisticated wardrobes of the vampires as well as the ragged, rough cut outfits of the werewolves. Although the semblance possesses a Blade like quality, the movie itself was a little difficult to understand or follow until the ending scenes when the well developed story appears and connections are made.

The movie from the start catches the audience's attention with its

action-packed opening sequence.

The story revolves around vampire vs. Lycan (werewolf) and a human called Michael who gets caught in the middle (Scott Speedman *Felicity*).

A love story spawns between Michael and a vampire name Selene (Kate Beckinsale, *Pearl Harbor* & *Serendipity*) that soon becomes forbidden due to certain events which causes

Michael to become a Lycan Selene's mortal enemy. The movie delves somewhat deep into what has caused this eternal feud which near the end reveals a line of conspiracies, lies, and a somewhat underdeveloped love story. This film does in fact possess, loosely, a Romeo and Juliet feel but fails to focus on the development of it and rushes into the romance.

The Underworld is nearly unexampled in its ability to appeal to all fan bases. This film is worth indulging your curiosities and seeing it. There is not much more you can say about this film with out giving the plot twists away and I would definitely recommend it to those who enjoy anything from horror to action. So if you are out and want to catch a good flick I would see this one, so enjoy the movie.

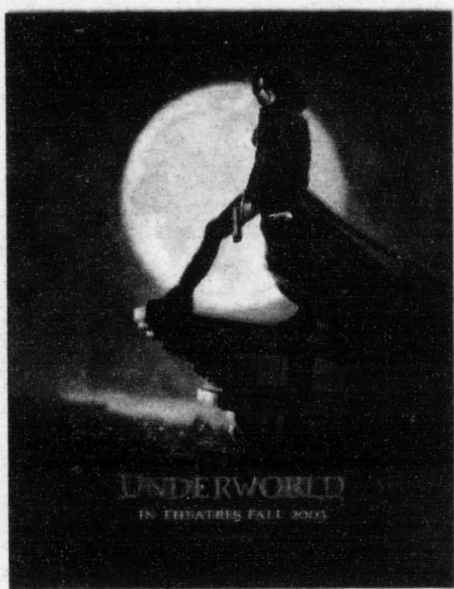


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Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ "Random Ramblings" is back, friends! I think the entire campus should throw a party; a big one, with boys and pizza! I've missed you all while I was away, especially Ray, who bugged me constantly about when I was going to start writing again. And now, finally, like the swallows of San Juan Capistrano, I have returned home after a brief migration to once again roost in the eaves of *The Flashlight*. Or something like that.

★ Commercial Rant of the Week: This one's for the ladies, yo. It's that Tampax commercial where they're at the party and she drops her tampon out the window. I can hear all of you screaming right now, "I HATE that commercial!" because

every woman I know thinks it should never be shown again. First of all, she's in all white. *Duh*. Secondly, she sets her tampon on the sill next to an open window. *Duuuuuh*. Then, instead of just sucking it up and using "Brand X" for, what, the few hours they're still at the shindig, she has to waste all of the hostess' "feminine products" to make a chain to retrieve hers from the bushes outside? What does she do with all the stuff she wasted? Feminine hygiene products don't grow on trees, you know. She should be ashamed of herself.

★ I'm taking Beginning Bowling for my gym class this semester, which totally cracks me up. I can't believe throwing a twelve-pound ball down a lane for an hour and a half qualifies as physical activi-

ty, *although in my case the ball doesn't usually make it to the pins; it cruises over to the gutter like it *lives* there or something. I should just save myself some effort and set it in the gutter to begin with, and then kick it as hard as I can. I could really blow off some stress that way.

★ In an effort to procrastinate this weekend, I decided it would be a good idea to take a sponge and a bucket of water outside, and wash the siding on my apartment. *By hand*. You can see how desperate I was to avoid writing my editorial. Now there's an ever-so-attractive block of white around the window and the door, while the rest of the place is still dirty as sin. It looks like crap, but at least I got in a good hour of homework-free leisure.

Fall brings Movie Madness

By MICHELE PEET

Flashlight Writer

Instead of waiting to rent movies, why not go to the theaters and see one. There are a lot of new movies coming to theaters this fall. Here is a preview of some of the films to hit theaters in September and October.

Friday, September 19, *Cold Creek Manor* opens starring Dennis Quaid and Sharon Stone. Cooper Tilson (Dennis Quaid), and his wife Leah (Sharon Stone) are trying to escape from everyday city life to a condemned mansion in rural New York State. What they are destined to find out is what secrets the house holds.

This movie is rated R.

Coming out on Friday, September 26, is *Duplex*. It stars Ben Stiller and Drew Barrymore. Barrymore and Stiller play a couple from New York who moves into a Duplex apartment. After putting up with their upstairs neighbor, the couple plots to get rid of her. This comedy is rated PG-13.

Under the Tuscan Sun stars Diane Lane as an American Lawyer who resigns from her job and takes a trip to Tuscany, Italy. She decides to set up a life there, when she falls in love. The movie is rated PG-13 and will be released to theaters on Friday, September 26.

On Friday, October 17, *Texas Chainsaw Massacre* is coming out. This horror film stars Jessica Biel. The film relays the story of possibly the most gruesome murders ever. The only survivor of the mas-

sacres has come forward to tell the real tale of what happened. The story of "Leatherface" is retold for another generation in this R rated horror flick.

Scary Movie 3 comes out Friday, October 24. Hollywood stars Charlie Sheen and Pamela Anderson join the cast in the third installment and returning for her third time is Anna Faris. Unlike the first two, *Scary Movie 3* does not focus only on spoofing horror films.

Any recent Hollywood film is fair game, as *8 Mile* and *Lord of the Rings* are favorite targets this time around. No rating has been assigned yet for it but an R rating is to be expected.

On Halloween day, *Shattered Glass* comes out. The film stars Hayden Christensen, Melanie Lynskey and Hank Azaria. It is a true

story about a young upcoming journalist. He found fame and fortune at a young age but it all came crashing to an abrupt end for this young writer. The film is not yet rated.

So here's an idea of some of the movies coming out at the beginning of this semester. There is something for everyone, so get up and go out to see your favorite.



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(Above left) Dennis Quaid and Sharon Stone star in *Cold Creek Manor*. (Above) *Under the Tuscan Sun* hits theaters on Friday.

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SGA Update: Food Service

By COLIN COLEMAN
Flashlight Writer

For the past four years, Mansfield University has been dealing with issues pertaining to our food services. Each year, students cry out over their disappointments and their disapproval of what is happening with the food service. After hiring Wood Dining Services last year, the changes were immediate and for the better. Students seemed to be happy with the differences in food choices, the quality of the food, and the over-all look of the dining areas. Could it have been too good to be true? Could the student body really enjoy the food service enough not to complain about them?

MU students returned this fall to find a newly renovated Den and marked up prices. Due to the markup, students have been swarming upper Manser to rid themselves of the fear of using all their flex monies. This has become a major burden on the students, and members of the Student Government are not going to stand for it. After only four weeks of school, there are students who have less than ten Flex dollars left. For those students who are holding down massive amounts of study hours a week plus a job and

activities, this isn't unheard of. Students who don't have much time during the day to sit down and eat a meal in upper Manser are suffering because they can't afford the Den.

It is time to speak up, Mansfield. There is too much complaining going on, and not enough action. As SGA senators walk through lower Manser, they are stopped and bombarded with complaints about the price of food and the fact that the meal equivalency is relatively non-existent. This is the time when the students have to stand up and say something.

The Student Government will soon be working on how to fix the problems in lower Manser. We're looking for your input. Scott Cummings, General Manager of Woods Dining Services here at Mansfield, has been invited to an SGA meeting to hear the complaints of the students and try to answer any misconceptions there are. If you have any complaints, ideas, or feedback, we want you at the meetings. It is crucial that you the students be heard, and that you get what you pay for. Keep a look out for announcements on when Mr. Cummings will be attending the SGA meeting and stop your student senators to voice your opinion.

Now is the time to plan for Study Abroad

Study abroad can change your life and enhance your job prospects. But it takes time and careful planning to go on a study abroad program. For next summer or next fall, you need to get started now.

Mansfield has exchange programs with over 100 universities in over 30 countries. Through our own exchanges and through our new membership in the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), the largest student exchange program in the world, you can study in English in 17 countries or you can study languages in 19 others. Only two other universities in Pennsylvania offer their students the ISEP programs.

It's affordable. For most of the programs, you pay MU tuition and room and board, plus the cost of a plane ticket and some fees, and special MU study abroad scholarships are available to help with costs. You can go for a semester, a year, or a summer, and you can take general education courses or some major-related courses. And MU and ISEP carefully monitor countries where our students study, so it's okay to go abroad today.

This semester, exchange students from Sweden, Germany, Brazil, France, and Russia are living and studying at MU. Talk with them, talk with your family and friends, and talk with Study Abroad Director Dr. Monique Oyallon in Belknap Hall (662-4603).

Check MU programs at www.mnsfld.edu/-international/stuex.htm
Check ISEP programs at www.isep.org

Hot Topic of the Week: Hunt for October

'Tomahawking' all the waaaaaaay!

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

This season of Major League Baseball has been a hot one, especially for that team in *Hotlanta*.

At the very beginning of the season, I thought for sure this would be the year for my Toronto Blue Jays. I was let down yet again. (Enter a sad face). In my eyes, .519 is not a good team percentage. I don't think they can overcome their 17 game deficit from those Yankees. As always, I supported them throughout the entire season and will for years to come.

Now, it's time for my 2003 predictions. In the American League East, the New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox will have a nice little battle of sorts. In the AL Central, the Minnesota Twins and the Chicago White Sox (who totally caught me off guard) will see the competitive edge from the Kansas City Royals. The AL West: it's between the Oakland Athletics and the Seattle Mariners (who won't see A.Rod as their little AL Most Valuable Player). I'm putting my money where my mouth is and saying that there will be a showdown between the New York Yankees (Enter a sigh) and the Oakland A's.

Now, we move to the National League. There is no doubt in my mind that the Atlanta Braves will be the leading contender. Forget the rest of the teams in the race. I'm going for the gold and saying the Braves will face the San Francisco Giants in post-season action.

World Series prediction: Braves vs. the A's. Braves go on to win the series; after all, they did clinch their 12th division title. Braves baby! Braves.

More fun stuff: Roy Halladay will win the AL Cy Young award despite the fact plate umpire Phil Cuzzi ejected him from a game with the Devil Rays on Sept. 22 after hitting Rocco Baldelli with a pitch. Albert Pujols will be the NL's Most Valuable Player. And, I'm done. Get ready for the Tomahawk Chop!



YAHOO SPORTS
Albert Pujols of the St. Louis Cardinals is a contender for the NL MVP Award.

An end of an era...

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

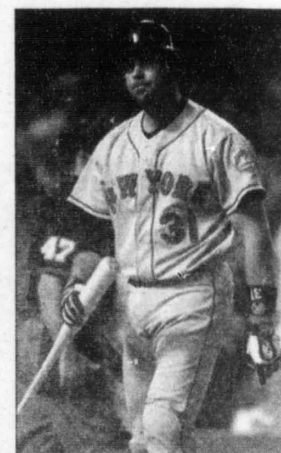
It seemed like only yesterday that my New York Mets lost their season opener, 15-2. Right then and there I knew the season was over, but that's another story in itself.

The official end of the 2003 season officially ends Sunday, which brings up the question who is going to take that magical carpet ride into October.

Will it be the Yankees? Or how about those kids from Minnesota? Will Bonds finally get his ring, or will the Braves shock the world and actually make it out of the first round? Can the Marlins unleash some Cinderella magic or will the 'Fighting Phills' take over the wild card and extend Veterans Stadium tenure a few extra weeks? All these questions will be answered in due time. For the first time in a long time, I am going to keep my mouth closed on predicting the World Series champions. After my whole 'Believe 2003' campaign with the Mets, it's time to keep my loud Italian mouth shut. (Even though I think the Cubs and Yankees are going to be in the World Series. But hey, I didn't predict anything.)

Instead, I would like to take this opportunity to say good bye to a voice that has filled my car radio over the years. Mets broadcaster Bob Murphy is calling it a career after 50 plus years of color commentary. Since I was a child, listening to the Mets on radio have always been associated with one name and one name only - Bob Murphy. There are the good announcers and then there are the great ones. Murphy was able to make any game like an edge-of-your-seat moment even when the Mets were losing 15-2 on opening day. The 2004 season will not be the same without Bob Murphy.

Thank you for making all the bad times and the good times with the Mets memorable by just using your voice.



YAHOO SPORTS
Mike Piazza's look sums up the 2003 season for the New York Mets.

This Week in Sports: The Maurice Clarett Show

BY JAMES SHAPPELL
Flashlight Sports Writer

With everybody in the media weighing in on what Maurice Clarett, Ohio State's phenom running back, should or could do, I felt it not only my right, but my responsibility as a Buckeye fan to give you my view.

Clarett is an amazing athlete, which any college football fan will tell you. Unfortunately, he made some bad choices and broke NCAA rules. Maurice, it's time to be a man and admit your mistakes. He should keep his scholarship, which Ohio State has said they will not pull, go to classes, keep his nose clean, then come back to The Ohio State University next season.

The alternatives are equally as appealing for Ohio State. No matter what, the young star will not play this year. He has the option to transfer to another Division I school, but that would mean not only sitting out this year because of his suspension, but also next year because of NCAA regulations.

Clarett could also transfer to a Division II school, but he would still have to sit out this season because of his suspension. He would, however, be allowed to play next season since he would be downgrading universities.

Many people believed that the Canadian Football League was an option. However, the team that holds his rights, the Montreal Alouettes, has said that Clarett would be forced to sit out a full season, stating that they believe all athletes should get their education before becoming pros.

The final option for Clarett is to challenge the NFL's rule that a player must be three years removed from high school before entering the draft. However, the NFL Players Association has stated they would back the NFL's administration in their decision to keep the rule as it is. Clarett's lawyer actually put in a request form for the NFL to change their rules to make Clarett eligible for the draft in 2004. Plans are being made to review the request with Clarett's lawyers in two weeks.

So, as the soap opera continues, and the sophomore's teammates continue to win, we will watch it unfold, rolling our eyes each time we have to hear about it. Will he stay or will he go? We may not know for a few months. If he does decide that he no longer wants to be at The Ohio State University, I'm sure there would be a roster spot for him at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania in 2004. Hmmm...

The NFL saw one of its most productive players over the past few seasons go down with an injury, as Marshall Faulk suffered a broken hand in the Rams loss to Seattle. The Seahawks have really surprised me with their strong start and could march through what seems to be a weak NFC West. The 49ers lost a tough one to the Browns in the closing minutes, and Arizona shocked the world with a victory over Brett Favre and the Packers, leaving everyone except the 3-0 Seahawks at 1-2.

The offensive juggernaut that is

Kansas City continued to roll, as did Minnesota, with both teams now sitting at 3-0. Indianapolis also remained perfect with a win over Jacksonville (where Byron Leftwich should be starting). Tampa Bay pounded the Vick-less Falcons and the Patriots escaped the Jets.

Tennessee seems to be as strong as ever with Steve McNair and Eddie George pounding away despite all their injuries and everyone saying they are washed up. Pittsburgh survived a scare from Cincinnati as Bengals fans fumed at Baltimore for beating the Chargers and keeping them tied for that number one draft pick for next year. Finally, the Giants and Dolphins survived hard fought battles with division rivals Washington and Buffalo, respectively, to continue their hunts for the playoffs.

Bold Predictions: Last Week: 9-4, Season: 17-11

Lamar Gordon will make a name for himself when the Rams blow past the Cardinals. The 49ers will stop letting me down sooner or later, and get a

win this week against the Vikings; the Titans will shut down the Bucs and take it to the Steelers. New England will beat the Redskins, but Patrick Ramsey will be impressive again, as he has turned me around and made a believer out of me.

Houston will beat the Jaguars, who will officially enter the race with the Bengals and Chargers for the number one draft pick. Did someone say the Bengals? They lose at Cleveland. As for San Diego, they take it to the old guys in Oakland; the Eagles get a win at Buffalo; Kansas City pounds the Ravens Defense.

Dallas gets past Vinny and the Jets, whom you might as well throw in the race for the draft pick. Carolina's 'D' shuts down Atlanta's 'O', just like Tampa Bay's did. Denver past Detroit and Indy goes to 4-0 and the underachieving Saints lose again. Favre regains the magic as the Pack beats da' Bears.

Field hockey's struggles continue on recent west trip

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It has been a rough start for the Mansfield University field hockey team.

The Mounties have come off two tough losses to Lock Haven and Shippensburg, in which the Mounties were out scored, 19-0.

Things wouldn't get much easier for the Mounties as they were about to play three games in four days.

First up were the Warriors of East Stroudsburg who entered the game 5-1 coming off a win against Millersville University.

The Warriors were first to strike as Jillian Ternosky scored six minutes into the game to give East Stroudsburg an early 1-0 lead.

Later in the half, the Warriors added to their lead as Sara Gorman scored her first goal of the game off an assist from Steph Hippman.

With just 10 minutes to play in the first half, Gorman scored another goal to expand the lead to 3-0.

The Mounties recorded two defensive saves in the game as juniors Marci Lippert and Marci Fureman stopped two possible goals.

Mansfield fell short, falling to the Warriors 3-0 as they started their western trip to take on Indiana University (Pa) and Mercyhurst college.

The Mounties fell behind early against Indiana as they faced a 2-0 halftime deficit.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Kristen Campbell scored the Mounties' lone goal in a 4-1 loss against the Indians of Indiana University (Pa).

During the start of the second half, the Indians tacked on another goal just three minutes into the half to expand the lead to 3-0. The Mounties would cut into the lead when junior Kristen Campbell scored a goal with just 23:00 minutes to play.

The Indians would score another goal in their defeat over Mansfield, 4-1.

"We have a lot of talent on our team," sophomore Amy Houck said. "We just have to bring it together. We're in the process of doing a lot of soul searching to figure out how to make a turn around. The recent losses made us realize even more that we win and lose as a team. If we want to win we can't just talk about it. We have to be about it."

The Mounties' western trip continued as they traveled to Mercyhurst College.

The score would remain 0-0 for a majority of the first half. Mercyhurst, however, broke loose and scored three goals in the final minutes of the first half and tacked on another six goals in the second half as they defeated the Mounties 9-0.

With the loss Mansfield falls to 1-7 overall. The Mounties' next game is 4 p.m. today as they play host to the top ranked Huskies of Bloomsburg University at Spaulding Field.

PSAC Shorts

Cross Country - The Lock Haven Bald Eagles men's team won the New York University Invitational this past weekend. They competed against a total of 29 teams. Chris Cowan of Lock Haven placed first at 26:10. Billy Buckenmeyer, Joe Wiegner and Ryan Blood also placed in the top ten for the Eagles. The women's team finished ninth overall in competition. Jamie Decker crossed the line first for the Lady Eagles. The Bald Eagles will run a home invitational on Sept. 27.

Field Hockey - The Kutztown Golden Bears hold a 1-3 record in the PSAC due in part to their 2-1 loss to East Stroudsburg. Both teams were tied 1-1 with 8:51 in the game. East Stroudsburg was able to capture the lead and the win.

The Raiders of Shippensburg University marked their third straight win and shutout as they sailed past Slippery Rock, 7-0 on Sept. 20. The Raiders next game is against Lock Haven University. This is an important game because both teams are ranked on a national level. They will play on Sept. 24 at the Robb Sports complex's new AstroPlay field.

Football - The Indiana University of Pennsylvania Indians won their third straight game over New Haven on Sept. 20. The 28-7 victory is their 13th consecutive regular season win. The Indians have not lost since their game with Findlay in 2002's season opener.

Picks of the Week

Week 3	Chad Landers (16-14)	Jennifer Nelson (17-13)	Gregory Pellegrino (12-18)	Mike Peters (19-11)	Sarah Stoermer (19-11)
Cardinals @ Rams	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals	Cardinals
49ers @ Vikings	49ers	49ers	49ers	49ers	49ers
Titans @ Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Titans	Steelers	Steelers
Patriots @ Redskins	Redskins	Redskins	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots
Jaguars @ Texans	Texans	Texans	Texans	Texans	Texans
Eagles @ Bills	Bills	Eagles	Bills	Bills	Bills
Bengals @ Browns	Browns	Browns	Bengals	Browns	Browns
Chiefs @ Ravens	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs
Chargers @ Raiders	Chargers	Raiders	Chargers	Raiders	Chargers
Cowboys @ Jets	Cowboys	Jets	Jets	Jets	Cowboys
Falcons @ Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Falcons	Panthers	Panthers
Lions @ Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Lions	Broncos	Broncos
Colts @ Saints	Colts	Colts	Saints	Colts	Colts
Packers @ Bears	Packers	Packers	Bears	Packers	Packers

This Week in Mountie Sports

Mansfield Sports Weekly	Wednesday 9/24	Thursday 9/25	Friday 9/26	Saturday 9/27	Sunday 9/28	Monday 9/29	Tuesday 9/30
Cross Country				Salisbury Away			
Field Hockey	Bloomsburg 4 p.m.			Millersville Away			
Football				Lock Haven Away			
Soccer	Lock Haven Away			IUP 1:30 p.m.			

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with Dr. Shari Clarke

VP for Student Affairs

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12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

in 516 North Hall

Update: Bryant case sees more drama as trial date approaches

By JOHN GEIGER

Flashlight Sports Writer

As we all know, the basketball world took a turn for the worst on July 7.

One of the NBA's finest stars was accused of sexual assault. Kobe Bryant was released from the county sheriff's office after posting a \$25,000 bond.

At first, the woman was never identified.

However, she told county officials that

Bryant sexually assaulted her earlier in the week. Both were present at hotel in Colorado. Kobe was in the area because he was scheduled to undergo knee surgery.

At first, these allegations brought about many mixed emotions. The public spoke out - some supported basketball's favorite son, while others were ashamed of Bryant.

The twenty-four-year-old star has drawn comparisons to Michael Jordan, Julius Erving and some of the best players of all time. He has won several championships for the Lakers, and is one of the most popular players in the sport.

Bryant shows a love for basketball in every aspect of the game. He plays with an extreme amount of determination, only seen when tears begin to fall from his eyes after his team has lost a crucial game.

Some say he's a piece of the old throwback players, the ones that adore walking on the court day in and day out. Kobe Bryant is a spokesman for the way the NBA should be. Now all those accomplishments are put on the back burner due his pending case.

Recently, there have been instances where people have been getting involved in this case.



YAHOO SPORTS
Kobe Bryant faces a bigger challenge other than the San Antonio Spurs come Oct. 9.

Apparently the victim's name was released on the Internet for an hour on Sept. 17. This shows leakage in the system, which is supposed to protect the accuser. Again, no one could clarify that this happened due to fact that everything seems to be a cover-up in this case.

Also, in yet another issue, prosecutors said that a man would be charged with solicitation to murder Kobe Bryant's accuser. This man was involved in organized crime and said he would receive up to three million dollars after the killing. These are all new developments that are making this trial a media-feeding frenzy. These are not the first threats that Bryant's accuser has had to deal with. In the beginning of the month, a University of Iowa student was arrested because she was leaving death statements on the accuser's answering machine.

This trial has marked major problems for basketball public relations, especially the Lakers. Most of our thoughts of Kobe Bryant will never be the same. We have seen this happen before in regards to Baltimore Ravens' linebacker Ray Lewis. Lewis was involved in a stabbing incident outside of an Atlanta nightclub. Our thoughts of him changed once we saw him in court.

The public's perception of these famous athletes differs from person to person. Although, when most cherished athletes are making these major mistakes, our ability to forgive and think the same about them begins to diminish.

The Kobe Bryant case is expected to see more twists and turns upon the Oct. 9 trial date in Colorado.

(Editor's note: The information used in this article was taken from Yahoo!sports.com from Sept. 20. and ABCNEWS.com- espn sports Sept. 21)

Old school football returns to Mansfield

By MATT KAPPENSTEIN

Flashlight Sports Writer

Take a step back in time and imagine that you are standing on a football field with your arms locked with a player of the opposite team.

The football is hiked and you begin punching, kicking and fighting your way forward as your teammates do all they can to push the ball up field. This was football in the early 1890's.

The 1892 night game was Mansfield's fifth game ever and the season opener was played against Wyoming Seminary. This game was played at Mansfield's annual fair. The crowd was drawn not only because of the night football game, but it was the modernization of the electronic light bulb because it was never seen before in Tioga County.

The idea of a night football game was an idea brought about by some Mansfield football players from the previous season. They wanted to display their new sport at the Mansfield Fair.

The sport of football in the late 19th century was a savage game. It was a form of rebellion against Victorian customs. The game was a gross combination of European

rugby and American football.

The historic 1892 night football game was played on a field of over 110 yards. Field length was ultimately decided by the players that were involved. There were no linemen, only five yard lines, and essentially no rules. This is how the term *gridiron* came about.

The players in the 1892 football game used hardly any protective equipment. Helmets were not used for another 20 years. The only visible protection was slight padding sewn into their pants at the knee. Players also grew their hair long, into locks as added head protection.

The referee would lay a handkerchief on the field where he thought the ball was last in play. There were 45-minute halves, and the players had three downs to move the ball five yards. Participants would often distract the referee with long and drawn out discussions in order to have his teammates move the handkerchief.

Once the play was in progress, a player could not exit the game unless he was injured or was assumed injured. If the captain wanted to make a substitution, he whispered to a teammate to "get

hurt" so he could substitute another player.

Arguments spawned between teams following every referee decision. The whole team would take part in the argument to ensure that the captain was not easily known to the referee. Each player would argue with practically every member of the opposing team. A player who was skilled in debate and forensics was an asset to the team.

There was no neutral zone in this early rendition of football, only an imaginary line between two scrimmage lines and the ball. This let all the linemen line up head-on with the same player of the opposing team. If a player wanted to be a lineman, he stood no chance unless he was an okay boxer and a good wrestler.

This game never saw a kickoff attempt. The center would touch the ball with his toe and then flip it to a teammate. The player who then got the ball would run as fast as he could while his teammates gave him as much obstruction from the opposing team as possible.

Players were permitted to grab a hold of their own runner in any way possible and move him in any



MANSFIELD PUBLIC RELATIONS

The 1890s reenactment of the original football will take place Saturday at Smyth Park.

direction that would gain yards. Runners often wore leather straps on their shoulders and hips to assist his teammates in getting a better grip on him.

The play of the year was called the flying wedge, and it was used at kickoffs. Nine players would withdraw about 20 yards from the ball. When signaled, they would brake into two lines and simultaneously run at full speed towards the ball. The runner would place himself in the middle of this wedge. The flying wedge had a stunning effect on the opposing team. It would prevent almost any kind of penetration to the ball carrier. Players

from the opposing team would throw themselves mercifully into the wedge to create any kind of disturbance. The flying wedge was rarely broken up.

The scoring was simple. The teams received two points for a safety, four points for a touch down, two points for a goal after a touchdown and five points for a score from the field. A score from the field was a dropkick score, as you would see in rugby.

Passing the ball was illegal. Pass plays did not come into effect until 1906.

You can witness a reenactment of the "killer sport" at 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 27 at Smyth Park in Mansfield.

Mounties stumble under Royals and Raiders

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

After being shutout in two consecutive games, the Mountaineer soccer team is experiencing a difficult transition into the PSAC.

In Mansfield's games against the University of Scranton Royals and the Shippensburg University Raiders, the Mounties were shutout each time. On Sept. 17, the Mounties fell to the Royals, 3-0. After rain moved the Sept. 20 game against Shippensburg to Sept. 21, the Mountaineers faced a difficult loss, 9-0.

The University of Scranton Royals, who are ranked 24th in the nation, won 3-0 holding the Mounties to one shot-on-goal in this non-conference matchup. The Royals are 6-0-1, holding six of

their first seven opponents scoreless.

The Royals took a 1-0 lead into halftime when sophomore midfielder Jennifer Smith netted her first career goal on Mansfield goalie Julie Miller. Less than two minutes into the second-half, Royals' junior forward Sara Suchoski scored an unassisted goal, making it her seventh of the season and 48th of her career. The Royals bumped up with a 2-0 lead. With only one minute left in the game, the Royals senior forward Alison DeVarso scored an unassisted goal to make the lead for Scranton, 3-0.

Miller recorded nine saves for the Mounties, while Scranton's goalie made one save. The Mounties fell to 1-3-1 overall.

On Sept. 21, the Mountaineers' postponed home matchup from

Sept. 20 against Shippensburg University took place. The Mounties fell to the Shippensburg Raiders, 7-0. The Raiders of Shippensburg scored four times in the first half and three times in the second half.

The Raiders out-shot the Mounties 20-4 in the game. Miller had four saves in the goal for Mansfield. Shippensburg climbed to 5-1 as Mansfield dropped to 1-4-1.

The Mounties know they still need more time to improve in PSAC competition.

"We really need to focus more, both in the game and practice," freshman forward Erin Drum said.

Mansfield will face the Lady Eagles at 4 p.m. on Sept. 24 at Lock Haven University.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's goalie Julie Miller recorded nine saves for the Mounties against University of Scranton on Sept. 17.



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Mounties conquer the Titans, 50-17

Mansfield starts season 3-0 for the first time since 1996

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

For two weeks, it has been the Mansfield University football team's defense leading the way to victory.

In week three, it was the Mansfield offense's turn to release the magic.

The Mounties' offensive unit rolled up 529 yards and 50 points in a 50-17 triumph over Westminster College on Sept. 20. The offense was led by a record breaking performance by junior wide receiver Joe Bennett, who reeled in seven balls for 210 yards and a Mansfield single game school record of four touchdowns. Upon returning to the game after an injury last season, Bennett has caught 16 passes for 389 yards.

"I worked hard to come back from the injury, and it feels really good to have the kind of game I had today," Bennett said.

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-Mounties WR Joe Bennett

Senior quarterback Travis Motley was 12 of 18 for 265 yards and four touchdown passes. Freshman running back Earnest "Pooh Bear" McNeal ran for 198 yards and two touchdowns on 27 carries to also lead the Mountaineer offensive explosion. McNeal was forced to carry a heavier load in the running game after senior running back Jason Roscoe was lost for the game after suffering an injury on his initial carry of the game early in the first quarter.

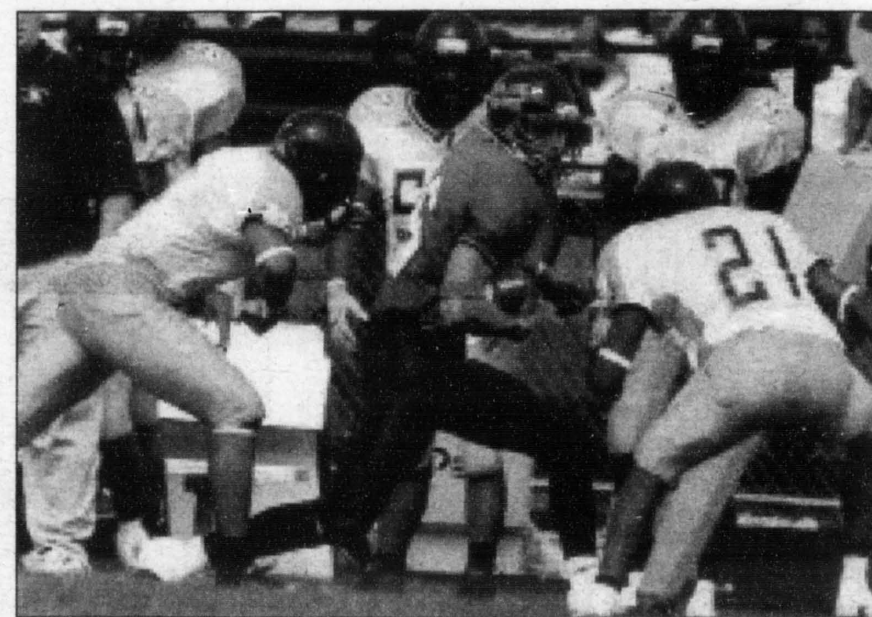
Mansfield drew first blood midway through the first quarter, thanks to a contribution from the special teams unit. Senior line-

backer Dan Holland blocked a Westminster punt that was being delivered from its own end zone and the resulting safety made the score 2-0 in favor of Mansfield. The lead would be short lived.

Mansfield's defense saw its shutout streak end at 128 minutes and 54 seconds, when Titans' quarterback Matt Robison connected with wide receiver Brian Ekis on a 65-yard touchdown pass. With about three minutes remaining in the first quarter, the Mounties found themselves trailing for the first time all season, 7-2.

The deficit lasted all of one play. Motley hooked up with Bennett on a 64-yard touchdown pass to give the Mounties a 9-7 lead. Westminster answered back on the last play of the first quarter on a Scott Froelich eight-yard touchdown run. Froelich, who ran for 154 yards in the Westminster win over Mansfield a year ago, was held to 70 yards on 24 carries by the Mansfield defense.

Down 14-9, Mansfield regained the lead for keeps midway through the second quarter, with some trickery. Motley passed the ball behind the line of scrimmage to Dan Bennett, who turned and lobbed a strike to a wide open Joe Bennett to give the Mounties a 15-14 advantage. The Mounties



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's Joe Bennett had seven receptions for 210 yards and a Mansfield single game school record with four touchdown receptions.

added their lead following a 41-yard punt return by McNeal, on a 24-yard touchdown pass from Motley to Joe Bennett. A last second field goal by Westminster cut the Mountaineer halftime lead, 22-17.

The Titans came out in the third quarter and appeared poised to retake the lead, driving down to the Mansfield 15-yard line, but strong safety Joe Frick forced Froelich to fumble and cornerback as Ronnie Montgomery picked the ball up and ran 54 yards down the field before being corralled at the Titans' 24-yard line. Mansfield wasted no time capitalizing on the mistake, and McNeal's two-yard run stretched the mounties' lead out to 30-17.

From there, it was all Mansfield. The offense piled on the points, adding two Motley touchdown passes, one to each of the Bennetts and another McNeal touchdown scamper.

The Mountaineers displayed

offensive balance throughout the contest, passing for 295 yards and rushing for 234 yards in the game.

"The running game has really given us balance, which is something we have always wanted in this program," head coach Chris Woods said. "It has made our passing game that much more explosive."

Meanwhile, the Mounties defense shut down Westminster, allowing no points for the third consecutive second half. The Mansfield defense was led by Holland, who had a season-high 10 tackles for the Mountaineer defense. Red-shirt freshman linebacker Andre' Turner added 7½ tackles and an interception for the Mounties.

The Mounties look to improve to 4-0 for the first time since 1996 when they face the Lock Haven Bald Eagles. The game is at 7 p.m. on Sept. 24 at Lock Haven University.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's offense racked up 50 points against Westminster this past Saturday. The Mounties are now 3-0 on the season.



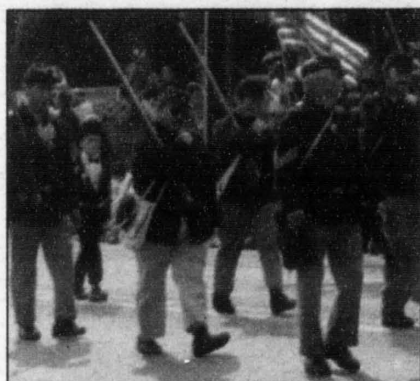
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Strike negotiations still unsettled

By EMILEE DANIELSON

Flashlight Writer

A strike of the 14 state universities is still a looming possibility.

Association of State College and University Faculty (APSCUF) members at the 14 state run universities took part in a strike authorization vote Friday through Tuesday that has the power to affect over 100,000 students in the state university system.

If a strike authorization vote passes, union representatives will have been given authorization to strike on behalf of the faculty at any time that negotiations reach a standstill.

The issues that members of the State System of Higher Education (SSHE) and APSCUF are concerned with are wage freezes and benefit reductions. Many faculty members are reluctant to sign onto a contract where they will make less money in the long run, especially in light of significant raises for many state system administrators in the past year.

Students have been told that a

strike is still unlikely. However, Mansfield University officials are preparing for the worst. Mansfield, like other state schools, has a plan that outlines what procedure would be followed if a strike would take place. A strike plan is similar to a severe weather plan. It is flexible enough to work with the conditions of a strike and adapt as the situation changes. Included in this plan are housing and cafeteria arrangements along with procedures for assigning grades, refunds, and possible semester extensions. If a strike would take place the university would not close, instead students would be housed and fed and just like during the regular semester, they would be expected to attend classes.

How can students attend class with no teachers? Some faculty members would continue to conduct class and students would be expected to attend. Refunds would not be issued to any student as a result of the strike.

Grades are another matter alto-

gether. According to Provost Mike Lane, if a strike would occur for an extended period of time the assigning of grades would be something that would have to be done at the negotiating table. A strike of more than a few days would create a serious break in the semester. Classes would fall behind and most students wouldn't be able to complete all of their course requirements within the restrictions of a shortened semester.

Lane doesn't believe that extreme measures such as these are something that Mansfield University needs to be overly concerned about yet. "I believe that both parties have good people involved and they are struggling to find common ground," Lane said.

The common ground that Lane refers to could be difficult to achieve. APSCUF members, facing wage freezes and significant benefit cuts, are not only looking out for themselves they are concerned about the students too.

In an e-mail sent to university faculty members by Kevin Kodish, Director of Communications for APSCUF, Kodish has encouraged faculty to keep students informed about how other changes within the Pennsylvania State University System may affect them too. Swelling class size and increased use of temporary faculty are among some of the main concerns of faculty members statewide. In the e-mail Kodish states that, "we want students to be vocal on our behalf and well informed."

As the strong possibility of a faculty strike looms over Mansfield University it is important for students to remember that they will be taken care of and kept informed about any changes. If a strike becomes inevitable the Provost's office will hold information sessions where students can come to ask questions or voice concerns. If a strike should occur, "we will deal with it when it comes, in the best way we can," said Lane. Students wishing for more information should visit the APSCUF website at <http://apscuf.typepad.com/apscuf/>.

Blood drive proves to be a success

By AMBER PRUDEN AND GINA SAPORETTI

Flashlight Writers

Some of the students and staff at Mansfield University gave a priceless gift that can save lives on Sept. 24.

The blood drive held in the Alumni Hall Union Building was a success. The donation took approximately one hour and was relatively painless. There was free juice, cookies, T-shirts and stickers available to everyone who donated. All blood is taken by local certified nurses volunteering for the day.

According to Tom Johnston, who coordinates the blood drives at Mansfield University, The Red Cross met 68 percent of their goal. That goal was to have 100 productive units of blood. 130 people registered at the door, 89 bags were pro-

ductive, 23 were unfilled (person wasn't bleeding enough to fill a full pint), and there were 18 deferrals. A deferral is anything in a person's history that prevents them from being able to give blood.

"Low iron count is the most common reason people are turned away," Johnston said, "Iron deficiency is much more common in women more than men."

In the past the blood drive has been held in Kelchner Fitness Center. One of the requirements to have a blood drive at a certain site is that it must have functioning restrooms. So, it was moved to the A.H.U.B. due to structural problems that caused the restrooms to be shut down in K.F.C.

"Both locations do well and bring people in," Johnston said.

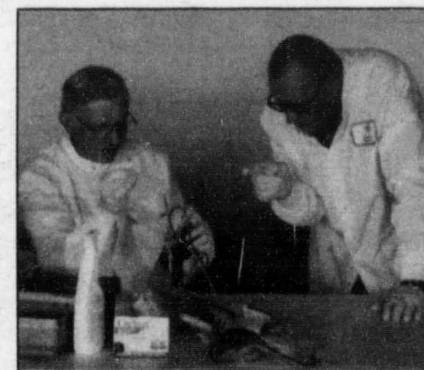
The blood drive is an important thing to take part in on campus. The American Red Cross' main purpose is to provide relief for victims of disasters and help communities to better prepare for and respond to emergencies.

According to the American Red Cross website, www.redcross.org, every two seconds someone in the United States will need blood. Most people assume that blood will be in ample supply if they ever need it, but that may not be true. Out of all the eligible donors in America, only 5 percent actually give blood. Yet, sooner or later everyone or someone that they know will need blood. One person can make a difference. One pint of blood can save up to three lives.

"I am afraid of needles, but I

still find the courage to donate each year. I think it is important to help others in their time of need," Sherri Fisher, a junior Social Work major, said.

The next blood drive on campus will be Nov. 19 in the A.H.U.B. For more information call 1-800-GIVE LIFE, or for Spanish operators call 1-800-257-7575.



HILLARY GRUMBINE/THE FLASHLIGHT Workers at the Blood Drive get bags ready to send out to be tested.

POLICE BEAT

September 19, 2003 - Purchase, Consumption, Possession or Transportation of brewed beverages- Ryan B. Chuldzinski allegedly created a disturbance on Cedarcrest 3B. Police were called to the scene and defendant was cited with the listed offense.

September 20, 2003 - Theft- Latoya J. Stephens was charged with identity theft, theft by unlawful taking or disposition, receiving stolen property, Library Theft, on 09/15/03. She allegedly took a laptop computer from the north hall library while using another students ID.

September 21, 2003-Underage purchase, possession, consumption, transportation of liquor malt, or brewed beverages- Christopher M. Satersad, 20, was cited for underage drinking.

September 23, 2003-Disorderly Conduct- Kristin N. George, 21, Mansfield University student cited for pulling a fire alarm on the second floor of Laurel A.

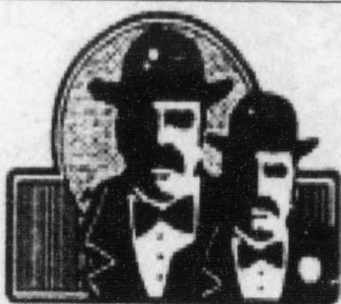
September 23, 2003-Criminal Mischief- A Mansfield University student states between 11:30 p.m. on 09/22/03 and 3:30pm on 09/23/03, unknown person(s) smashed in the passenger side window to his vehicle in an unknown manner. Approximate value \$150. Anyone with information relative to this incident should contact the campus police at 662-4900.

September 23, 2003-Criminal Mischief- A Mansfield University student states between 7 p.m. on 09/07/03 and 3 p.m. on 09/12/03, unknown person(s) keyed the entire right side of his vehicle. Approximate value for repair is \$100. Anyone with information relative to this incident should contact the campus police at 662-4900.

September 28, 2003-Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act- Meredith C. Flynn, 20, Defendant allegedly possessed a controlled substance (marijuana) with intent to deliver within Cedarcrest Dormitory.

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Info-to-Go Campus Bulletin Board

★ **President Halstead would like to invite all members of the Mansfield University community to participate in a special Town Meeting** on Oct. 7 in the AHUB Multipurpose Room to help kick-off the start of the public phase of our first ever comprehensive campaign "Our Special Mission - Our Future: The Campaign for Mansfield University". A light lunch will be provided at 12:00 p.m. with the Town Meeting to follow from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Both Vice President Yackey and Mr. Ralph Meyer, Chair of the Campaign Steering Committee, will be available for questions.

★ **The aquaculture club is a club for everyone.** There are several activities planned for the fall and some already for the spring. Activities include: white water rafting, paint ball, hiking and camping, a fishing trip to Erie for steelhead, hunting, 1890's week bake sale, Big Man on Campus, and possibly even Homecoming. The club meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. by the Grant Science tables and dues are only \$5 a semester.

★ **A Russian exchange student has lost her passport.** Someone apparently took it from her dorm room. The passport is red, about three inches by five inches, and has Russian characters on the front, as well as English letters saying "Russian Federation." If anyone should come across it, please take it to the campus police.

★ **Attention UNIV 1100 students!** Maple Lanes, Mansfield's bowling alley, is in need of volunteers. Perfect for your community service hours! Call Maple Lanes at 662-2721 for more info.

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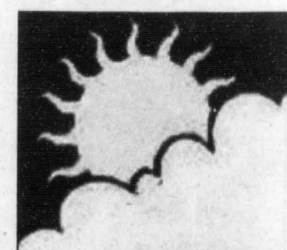
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Weekly Weather Forecast



Today- Showers, high of 53°F, overnight low of 31°F.

Thursday- Few showers, high of 53°F, overnight low of 34°F

Friday- Few showers, high of 54°F, overnight low of 38°F

Saturday- Showers, high of 56°F, overnight low of 38°F

Sunday- Partly cloudy, high of 58°F, overnight low of 42°F

Monday- Partly cloudy, high of 64°F, overnight low of 46°F

Tuesday- Scattered showers, high of 63°F, overnight low of 43°F.

Info. taken from Weather.com

What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

National News:

CAMP DAVID, MD- At a summit Saturday with President Bush, Russian President Vladimir Putin said Moscow's contribution to the reconstruction of Iraq would only be decided after a new UN Resolution is passed. "The degree of Russia's participation will be determined only when we know the parameters of the new resolution," Putin told reporters at the presidential retreat. Bush was "pleased" with the level of international help the U.S. is receiving.

LANDOVER, MD- A five year old girl was killed, and her 7 year old brother seriously wounded after their younger brother found a loaded gun in the house and used it against his older siblings. Police have said that the children were alone in the house at the time, and have said the parents could be charged for leaving small children unattended and leaving a gun where the children could find it. As of Sunday, the 7-year-old boy was in critical condition at a local hospital. Police are still trying to determine where the parents were at the time of the shooting.

DALLAS, TEXAS- A university said on Thursday that it would shut down a campus bake sale by a conservative group because of a decision to base the price of cookies on a person's race and gender. The "Young Conservatives" of Southern Methodist University said the bake sale was aimed at bringing attention to what they believe as flaws in the states affirmative action policies. The price of the cookies was set at \$1 for white males, 75 cents for white females, 50 cents for Hispanics, and 25 cents for blacks. Chairman of the group David Rushing said, "we strongly oppose different standards for different races, we find it appalling that a university that is supposed to be dedicated to the enlightenment of its students would stifle the opinions of a group of students." The university is basing its decision to shut down the sale because of the offensive actions of the group.

WASHINGTON D.C.- Several American mothers nursing their infants had high levels of potentially toxic flame retardant chemicals in their breastmilk, a U.S. environmental group said on Tuesday.

The chemicals are bromine-based fire retardants and are used in a wide range of products including furniture, computers and automobiles. The report by Environmental Working Group, stated, "Brominated fire retardants impair attention, learning, memory, and behavior in laboratory animals." The report did not show any health effects in the babies, but rather showed just how widespread the chemicals are.



World News:

COLUMBIA- A remote controlled bomb, strapped to a motorcycle, exploded early Sunday morning, killing 10 people and wounding 48 others in the upscale Zona Rosa district, 200 miles south of Bogotá. According to army officials, the bomb went off outside a disco, as club goers were leaving around 4:30 in the morning. Among the dead are two policemen and a nine-year-old boy.

FRENCH GUIANA- A European Ariane rocket blasted off at 8:14 p.m. local time beginning Europe's first mission to the moon. According to the European Space Agency, the rocket took off from the northeastern coastal city of Korou, carrying the SMART-1 moon exploration probe and two commercial satellites.

ROMANIA- The jawbone of a cave man was found and is believed to be the oldest fossil from an early modern human to be found in Europe. The jawbone, found in the southwestern Carpathian Mountains of Romania, was carbon-dated to between 34,000 and 36,000 years ago. According to Erik Trinkaus of Washington University, "the discovery makes it the oldest definite early modern human specimen in Europe and provides perspectives on the evolution of early modern humans in the old world." The report was published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Information taken from

Yahoo! news and CNN.com

Enrollment Increase at Mansfield

By PAM KLINE

Flashlight Writer

Upperclassmen at Mansfield may have noticed the number of students here growing over the past few years.

In fact, admissions increased for the sixth year in a row, up by 4.5 percent from last year. The total number of students now reaches 3,520.

The number of students at Mansfield is growing steadily. The administration and faculty are working to ensure the quality of the programs offered at Mansfield.

"We can expect some growing pains as a university," Dr. Shari Clarke, Vice President of Student Affairs said. Limited parking is one example of some of the problems Mansfield faces due to increasing admissions.

Still, there are positives to having more students, like potential growth for student organizations and programs and Clarke expressed the importance of planning the growth of Mansfield to ensure

quality in education and a continued feeling of family at Mansfield.

Brian Barden, admissions director at Mansfield agrees and explained that there is a plan to control the growth of the school. The nursing program has already been cut off for the spring semester. Other programs, including education, criminal justice, and the music programs have experienced similar growth spurts. As far as growth goes, the main concern is how much a department can handle.

"Students are discovering that Mansfield is a great place," Barden said, "We have worked very hard to market the University."

The more targeted and sophisticated marketing has paid off. Incoming freshmen have the distinction of being the largest class in Mansfield's history with 710 students.

Fortunately, the growing number of students at Mansfield does not

affect anyone's wallet. Individual schools within the state system do not control their own tuition. That's a responsibility of the Board of Governors in Harrisburg.

Mansfield is not alone in its increasing enrollment. According to the State System of Higher Education website, all 14 of the schools in the state system saw enrollment increase for the fall semester. This is the fourth greatest increase in admissions in the system's history. West Chester University experienced the largest growth in students this year, but Lock Haven University grew the most according to percentages.

Despite the growth, Mansfield is still the second smallest state school in Pennsylvania. Mansfield has been growing in size for the past six years.

'Cure' through art on campus

By AMI CHAMBERS

Flashlight Writer

Jon Laidacker and John Rodrigues, art majors at Mansfield University, will be exhibiting their artwork during the month of October.

The show will be displayed in the North Hall Gallery located on the first floor. There will be an artist's reception on Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. All interested persons are welcome to come meet the artists and view the paintings.

The exhibit is entitled "Jo(h)n²: A Cure for the Common Conservative" and, according to the President of the Art Acquisition and Exhibition Committee, will be "very eye-opening for the community." The show consists of watercolor, oil, and acrylic paintings by both artists.

Laidacker is a Studio Art major who is expected to graduate in December with a bachelor's degree. Among his paintings are sophisticated renderings of the human figure and recent experimentations with a drip effect.

Laidacker began sketching at three years old. His paintings take about 20-30 hours to create and come from the numerous sketches and digital photographs Laidacker keeps for reference. His advice to other art majors is "to sketch constantly. Every time you get an idea, get it out of your head so you don't lose it."

Laidacker is a member of the

National Art Education Association and the Art Acquisition and Exhibition Committee on campus.

John Rodrigues is an art education major and is also a member of the NAEA. He began painting as a child, and still tries to use the colors of his childhood when painting as an adult. Rodrigues often combines satire, irony, and innocence in his work. His motivation comes from personal experiences, yet most viewers easily relate to his art. Taking about three days to complete a painting, Rodrigues says that an important part of studying art is to create both inside and outside of the classroom.

Also coming in October is the art exhibit "Thresholds of the Mother," by artist Karthryn Barnard. The artist's reception will be held on

Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Women's Center in Pinecrest. Interested students as well as the general public are encouraged to attend.

The show will include oil and watercolor paintings and computer artwork. Her pieces depict the ancient feminine divinity and are influenced by both surrealism and Barnard's personal experiences.

Barnard graduated from Mansfield University in December of 2002. She has a bachelor's degree in art education and is working on her masters degree. She is a member of the NAEA and the AAEC.

The president of the Art Acquisition and Exhibition Committee, is "very excited" to be hosting these exhibitions. Mansfield University, as well as the artists, hopes for an excellent turn out."



Provided by Jon Laidacker

One of Laidacker's many pieces that will be on display at the showing.

Local News

By JENNIFER NELSON
Associate Editor

Mansfield - The area's most well-known woman, Helen Lutes, has created a foundation for Mansfield. "I want to do the most I can do for an area I love," Lutes said. The Lutes Foundation will help public service organizations, womens' rights and children and youth services in the area.

Mansfield University has been approved by the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education (SSHE) to receive funding for two major construction projects. State Representative Matt Baker said Mansfield would see a total of \$10.7 million over the next few years for construction done on South Hall and Allen Hall.

Wellsboro - Mansfield University graduate John W. Dawe pleaded guilty to charges filed against him. Dawe pleaded to one count each of child pornography. He also pleaded guilty to one count of stolen Mansfield University property. Dawe could see a possible seven-year prison sentence for the pornography charges with a \$15,000 fine and a one-year sentence with a \$2,500 fine for the stolen property.

(Information taken from tiogapublishing.com and the sungazette.com)

A 'Prism' of sound

By RICH STANKIEWICZ
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Music Department performed their 8th annual Prism Concert this past weekend.

The concert, which took place in Steadman Theatre at the same time as the Fabulous 1890's Weekend, featured MU student soloists, large ensembles, and chamber groups.

The concert, a musical prism of sound uninterrupted by pause or applause, is described as a theatre-in-the-round performance brought its audience just that with its style of performing around different parts of the theatre in a spotlight when cued.

Several pieces were performed including David Stanhope's "The Australian Fanfare", Gordon Goodwin's "Count Bubba", Thomas Weelkes "Hosanna to the Son of David", Cynthia Folio's "One For Four", Connor/Willis "Bill Bailey, Won't You Please Come Home", Graham Fitkin's "Hook", Benjamin Britten's "Pan", A. Barthe's "Pasacaille", Corneilus Gurlitt's "Govatta", Michael Torke's "July", Lajos Bardos "Cantemus!", Moses Hogan's "This Little Light of Mine", Mozart's "La ci darem la mano" from Don Giovanni, Rodgers and

Hammerstein's "If I Loved You", John Phillip Sousa's "Washington Post", and Claude T. Smith's "Eternal Father, Strong to Save".

Some of the faculty of Mansfield's Music Department conducted the event. Included were, Dr. Michael Galloway conducting the Jazz and Trumpet Ensembles, Dr. Peggy Dettwiler, conducting the Mansfieldians and the Concert Choir. Mr. Adrian Bryttan, conducting the Symphony Orchestra, Mr. Steve McEuen, conducting the Trombone Choir, Mr. Nathan Rinnert, conducting the Tuba/Euphonium Ensembles. Dr. Sheryl Monkeliën, also conducting the Mansfieldians, and Dr. Adam F. Brennan, conducting the Concert Wind Ensemble.

A crowd of approximately 200 people attended the event which was sponsored by Mansfield University's Student Government Association, Campus and Community Services Inc. and donations from concert subscribers. Andrew Garlach, a music education major, worked the lighting for the event. "It was a marvelous display of how diverse our music department is," Garlach said.

Banner search begins

By AMY KENDIG
Flashlight Writer

Last year, the banner that hung so proudly in the Mansfield University newspaper office vanished when it was stolen by an unknown individual.

This year, The Flashlight editors have become tired of staring at the bare wall where the banner used to hang. They decided to hold a contest for the most creative banner design for The Flashlight.

The contest will be held from Oct. 6 through Nov. 17. It will be open to the entire campus.

Anyone can enter the contest. Students do not have to be a part of the newspaper or Communications department to submit a design for the banner.

The only requirement is that the banner design contains the newspaper name, The Flashlight. Red and black colors are encouraged, but are not required.

In addition, the banner can be designed with and on any type of medium. This offers a wide variety

to people interested in submitting a design. It can be made with construction paper to a graphic design on the computer.

The winner of the contest will receive a prize as well as their name on the banner in honor of their design and effort.

Keep in mind that even though the banner will reside in the newspaper's office, the editors and staff of The Flashlight will not be the only ones to see it.

The entire campus as well as others will be able to look at the winner's design from the variety of events that it will travel to. Organizational fair, Spring Fling, and conferences are just a few of the events at which the winner's banner will be seen. Therefore, fame could also be acquired from winning the contest.

Let your creative energies flow and have fun with it.

For banner submissions or questions, contact Rachel Adams or Jennifer Nelson in The Flashlight office at 662-4986.

New student voices on the air at WNTF

By MATT KAPPENSTEIN
Flashlight Writer

The campus radio station, WNTF, The Giant 89.5, has numerous new things happening this semester.

WNTF is a student run organization, as well as the second largest organization on campus. A few students have stood out lately.

Kelly Ann Murray has a news show which airs every Wednesday at 5 p.m. Murray's goal is to provide the campus with news that is relevant and up-to-date.

"Every week I try to have a prominent representative from a campus organization," Murray said. Fifteen minutes of her show are devoted to interviewing people from various campus organizations. So far, Jeffrey Howe, President of SGA and Charm Smith, President of Creating a University with Respective Values

(CURVE) have been on the show.

Murray's show features world news, health and science as well as entertainment. She also features campus news and sports which she rewrites from articles in The Flashlight.

Chad Landers is the new Sports Director of WNTF. Landers' goal this year is to broadcast every sport possible, he feels that if a Mansfield University student cannot attend a game, they should at least be able to keep up by hearing it on the radio.

Landers feels that the sports director position was neglected in the past and strives to make a 180 degree turn for the position. Landers is going to be working hard to broadcast all the sports he can, including football, field hockey, men's and women's basketball, baseball and softball.

Landers has a group put together

to help him with football games. His teams consist of Mike Peters, Shane Wilber and Jonathan Schwab. He's also always looking for people to help with his broadcasts.

"There is no better job than WNTF. Where else can you talk about sports and have people listen," Landers said.

Landers says he's looking forward to a rewarding year on the board at WNTF. This will be his only opportunity to hold the position.

WNTF is always looking for new members, they hold meetings on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in 317 Alumni Hall.



Logo provided by www.WNTF.com

Congratulations to September's "Writer of the Month"

Mike Peters

Sports - "On the Sidelines"

Features - "Pennywise Review"

Congratulations to the following *Flashlight* writers for being awarded "Article of the Week" for the September 24 issue:

NEWS:

Emilee Danielson - "Strike threatens state schools"

FEATURES:

Christopher Shadle -
"Remembering Ritter"

SPORTS:

Matt Kappenstein - "Old school football returns to Mansfield"

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Matthews shines solo on new album

By ANDY SILVA

The Daily Campus (U. Connecticut)

Music's resident workaholic is at it again, this time coming out with his first solo album. "Some Devil," the first solo album by Dave Matthews, represents a departure from his usual fare, but remains similar at the same time.

Matthews was successful in getting some outstanding musicians to represent his backup band on this album, most notably Phish guitarist Trey Anastasio and longtime collaborator Tim

Reynolds. Having Reynolds on the album brings a sense of familiarity to the album, which can be heard on a number of songs, including the acoustic version of "Gravedigger." Normally, I find the inclusion of two versions of the same song to be redundant, but in this case it is

understandable because they sound so different. Dave Matthews Band fans will be disappointed that there are no extended jams in any of the songs, but Matthews more than makes up for that in the music that he does produce and through his lyrics.

The album has a number of different sounds to it. The presence of Anastasio's electric guitar is a welcome addition to the electric version "Gravedigger," "So Damn Lucky," and "Up and Away." Anastasio steals the show in "So Damn Lucky" with his guitar work as Matthews asks, "What will become of me?"

The sleeper track may be "Save Me," due to its sharp lyrics and tight guitar work by Reynolds. The song contains references to religious images (turning water into wine, flying, etc.), but also is grounded in the here and now. "Save Me" is probably as close to an all-out rocker Matthews has ever recorded, and it seems as though he should try to do so more.

Matthews' mood throughout most of the album is somber. He is inquisitive and questions everything, including himself, throughout the album. Rolling Stone describes "Too High" as having "neo-

Radiohead psychosis" and that seems to be a fair assessment and "An' Another Thing" could easily fit in a lineup with songs like "2+2=5" from Radiohead's latest release, "Hail to the Thief."

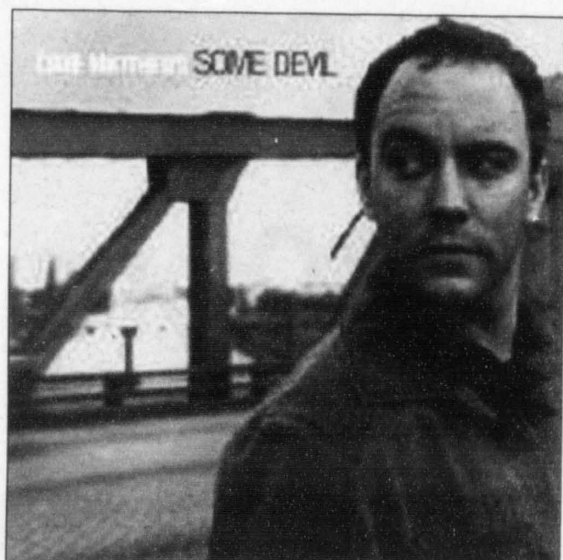
Matthews doesn't hit a home run with every song on this album. The title track, "Some Devil," does not stand as one of Dave's greatest compositions, but the album is surprisingly consistent for a first solo effort. Many times attempted solo albums come off as nothing more than an

attempt to pocket some extra cash and get a little more of the spotlight. This is hardly the case with Matthews.

The album also comes with a bonus live album, recorded during Matthews and Reynolds' Spring 2003 tour. The album includes DMB hits "Grey Street," "When the World Ends" and the classic

"Jimi Thing," as well as "Stay or Leave" and "Seek Up." Fans will enjoy the live performances, as much of Matthews' success and popularity is based on his incredible live shows and improvisation on stage. Matthews' ability on the guitar is evident, especially on "Jimi Thing."

Matthews shows on this album what extraordinary talents he has as a singer-songwriter. This solo project allows Matthews to expand his horizons and branch out into new territory. It was a necessary detour in the course of his career, one which he may find himself returning to. Matthews' clearly still has quite a bit to accomplish with his band, but it's interesting to see him go in a different direction as well. Matthews has said he is going to continue with DMB, in fact they just played a concert at Central Park in New York Wednesday and are currently on tour, so DMB fans have nothing to worry about. If this album is any sign of things to come, fans should hope Dave doesn't make it one and done in solo albums. Besides, who would complain about a solo album one year and DMB release with the next?



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Some Devil is Matthews' first solo album

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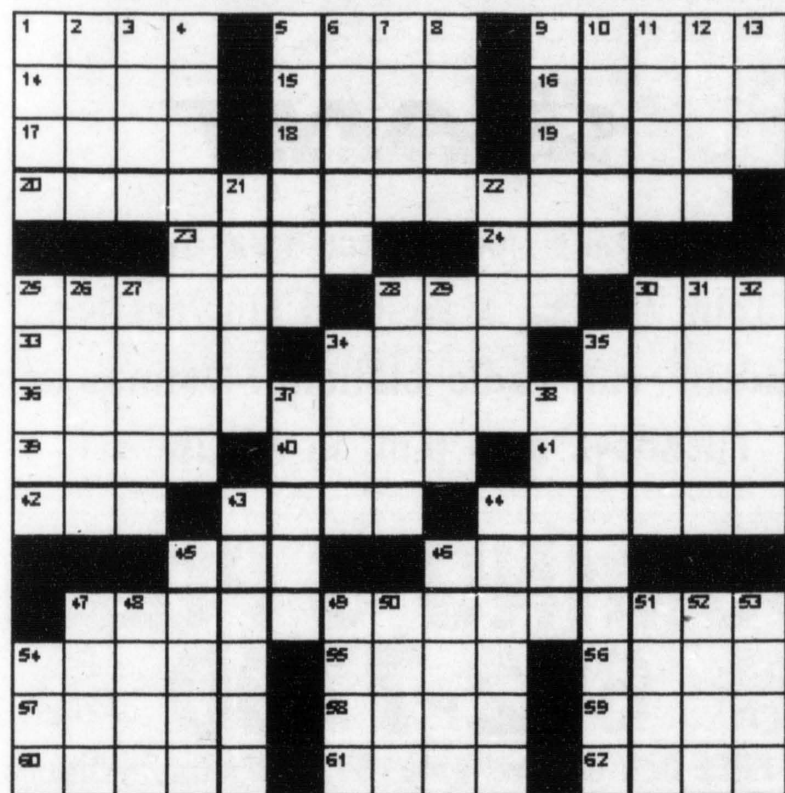
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14. "Do you ____ me?"
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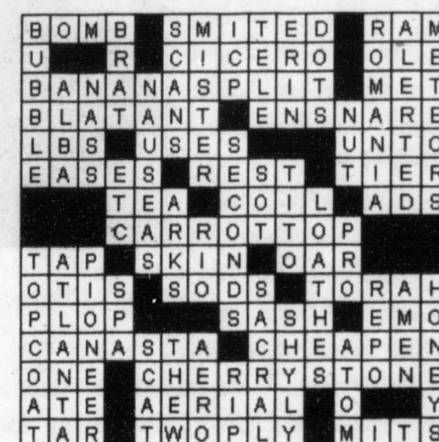
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 36. Chlamydia, for example
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7. Slightly open
8. Extend upward
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10. Remove equipment
11. Short performance
12. Kill
13. Strong urge
21. What stress can give you
22. Excuse
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34. First king of Israel
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37. Having a border
38. Seventy-_____. (Basketball player)
43. Apprehensive
44. Develop

45. Antique
46. Book of maps
47. Basinger role on Batman
48. Soon
49. Person to adore
50. Soft drink
51. Dry
52. Smelling device
53. Graceful bird
54. Buddy

Puzzle by TINA KAMBOURIS

Last week's solution:



"Some people are like Slinkies... not really good for anything, but you still can't help but smile when you see one tumble down the stairs."
-Dr. Seuss

"Life is just a bowl of cherries"

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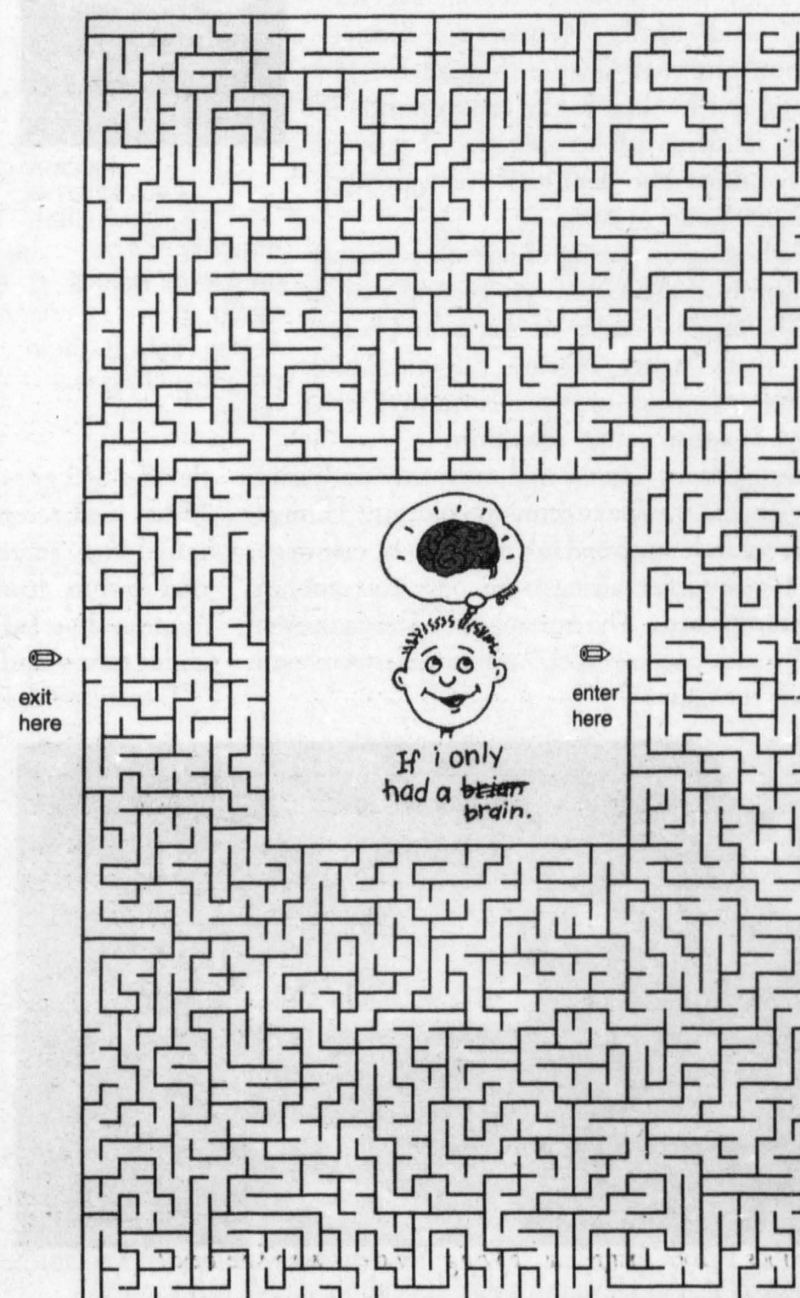
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by Heather Oister

School Daze



'Don't get mad, go mad'

By HILLARY GRUMBINE

Flashlight News Co-Editor

The sound of buzzing, "like a warped dentist's instrument" fills your ears followed by loud rock and people's voices. The sign on the door says "Don't get mad, go mad." This is no dentist's office however; this is a typical afternoon in The Sanitarium in downtown Mansfield.

Charles "Charlie" Tameris is the owner of the shop and does the bulk of the tattoo and piercing work. You can find his girlfriend, Renee, behind the counter to assist with any of your jewelry purchases (and by jewelry that's not a string of pearls; it's hoops and barbells of various colors, things that resemble elephant tusks and silver bullets) or help with working on a computer to alter a tattoo in any way before it goes on your body. Charlie also has an apprentice and subcontracts another tattoo artist in as well.

"He's the first tattoo artist that I've really known," said Molly Hemenway, Tameris' apprentice. She met Charlie through her girlfriend and got hooked to the tattoo world. She should be finished with her apprenticeship by this spring. For those who don't know, an apprenticeship is 2,000 hours of work.

A little history on the art of tattooing, the tattoo machine evolved from an electric pen in 1891. The original maker of that pen? Thomas Edison, that's right, Thomas Edison. Think about that the next time someone says that your ink is some urban rebellion.

The thing about Charlie that most may not realize at first glance is that he's a genuinely nice guy. Through all the metal in his face and ink on his body, one might not think so, but after talking to him once, you can't help but want to go back. The atmosphere at The Sanitarium is friendly and "painfully cool," as their advertisement in the phone book says.

Charlie Tameris, 30, grew up in this area. He moved to his newest shop in downtown Mansfield only days after school let out last semester. Things have certainly changed for him since fall semester started.

"Catering to college kids is a lot of fun," Tameris said. He averages about 10-15 tattoos per week and the most piercings he's done in one day is 31. That's quite a lot for only being in his newest location for four months.

Safety is one of the most important things

when looking for the tattoo artist or piercer of choice. Charlie Tameris is no exception.

"Regardless of where you get it, you need to make sure they're clean and sterile....make sure you like the person's artwork and remember 'you get what you pay for.' If someone's doing \$20 piercings, odds are they aren't sterile," Tameris said.

At The Sanitarium everything is one time use. Once you've finished getting a piercing or tattoo, you watch Charlie break the needle and throw it away. You can safely know that nothing used on your body will ever be used on someone else. Not only is everything thrown away after use, equipment is sterilized in an Autoclave which is set at 258 degrees Fahrenheit at 18 psi (pounds per square inch) for 30 minutes before it's even used on you.

Tameris has also been helping out organizations on campus. He helped the Delta Zeta sorority with their raffle fundraiser by letting them raf-

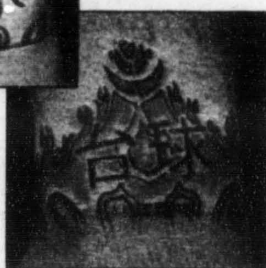
fle off a \$40 gift certificate for The Sanitarium. Chris Hake, Cedarcrest RA, was the lucky winner of the raffle. On September 21 he used it to get the second tattoo from Tameris. Hake is also having Tameris do a hall-wide activity in Cedarcrest to talk about tattoo and piercing safety and sterilization.

Tameris prides himself on his work and his affordability. He knew that coming here to a college town would mean college kids with not a lot of money, somehow he manages to combine a great tattoo or piercing with college kid affordability and that can't be said of everyone these days. Tameris himself started out wanting cheaper tattoos and piercings.

"I didn't want to have to pay so much for them, that's why I started," Tameris said. He set up his own business and tattooed his friends. When he started tattooing their friends, he got an apprenticeship and the rest, as they say, is history.



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Charlie Tameris works on Cedarcrest RA Chris Hake.



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Above Left: The transfer of Hake's tattoo.
Above Right: Work in progress of Hake's tattoo.



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Tameris explains to Hake the safety precautions before tattooing.

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

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I hate reality television. I realize this topic is not new, but I still cannot stand it. When I see commercials for *Temptation Island 3* or the next *Joe Millionaire* -- where they fool foreign women and comedy and tragedy ensue, woo.-- I feel the urge to puke in the shoes of every person involved with such things. I also feel the need to remove every television from viewers of the show and then throw it at them. Reality T.V. plays on this sense of human interaction by defining roles for the people on the show so that the viewers dupe themselves, place themselves into roles, and, thus, create an emotional attachment to people who are, essentially, characters. Not only is the emotional attachment one-sided, but the people the viewers have attached themselves to are caricatures, overly articulated individuals placed in purposely extravagant settings in front of too many cameras in order to see "real" reactions. Supposedly, the characters on screen somehow remind us of us, yet nobody seems to question the absurdity of the situations the people are in. Somehow, reality has a greater base in 2D humans in 2D extraordinary events dealing with 2D emotions, devastations, and happiness than in the people who stare at a flickering screen. We have placed so much intangible emotional outbursts into scripted ideas in hopes of seeing ourselves that we have lost ourselves. Reality T.V. does show us who we are, but not on the screen; we get to see how much we have grown to hate the world around us, but fear doing anything about it, so we hope for connections through screens, acting, and (we hope) real emotions of people on television. The desire to purge ourselves of our own self-loathing has incubated our desire to grow; we live through entertainment. This is not a grandiose argument because television has become a central component of most of our lives. While not everyone watches reality television, it has affected enough of our society to demand three, yes, three *Temptation Islands*. Fox Network and all other networks that show this crap do so because millions of people tune in every week. Each week these people lose themselves in concocted plots, hoping for the chance to say, "Hey, that's like me," and while this continues to happen, many of us will have to put up with all those annoying commercials about the next season of *The Really Super Real Real World Fraternity Life of People on an Island Surviving to Marry a Millionaire*.

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Do you think you have what it takes to be a features writer for the newspaper? *The Flashlight* features section is looking for talented new writers to be part of our fall 2003 staff. Got an idea? Try it out! Come on, we don't bite...too hard!

(E-mail submissions to flashlit@mnsfld.edu.)

1890s delights visitors

By JEANNETTE ESTEVES

Flashlight Writer

Regardless of terrible weather conditions, the town of Mansfield celebrated its 12th annual Fabulous 1890's historical event and gave Mansfield students and community members a fabulous array of crafts, food, and entertainment to enjoy.

Festivities began early Friday and continued to late Saturday evening, ending with an unforgettable re-enactment and fireworks spectacle.

Dennis Miller, Public Relations and Publications Director of Mansfield University, was in charge of the event.

"I couldn't be happier of the turn out. Last night was beautiful, the parade had a bigger crowd than ever, more college groups performed than ever. The weather help up, which we are grateful for, people from places like Hershey and Long Island came to see this. I think this is our best year so far," Miller said.

One of the main events of this fun filled weekend was the Motorless Parade. It contained a variety of entertainment groups like marching bands, Highlanders Bagpipes, and a short Karate Demonstration. There were carriages being pulled by horses, and

people dressed in 1890s attire.

Many enjoyed the booth strip as old and new booths displayed their merchandise, from jewelry to shirts



PHOTO BY JENNIFER GLENNY
The Pride of Pennsylvania! Mountie Marching Band is shown above in Saturday's parade.

and candles to face painting. Groups from all over reserved their spot of grass to engage in the re-enactment of the 1890's.

Michelle Watts, a resident of Mansfield was one the participants and observers of 1890's.

"My favorite part of 1890's was learning more about the WNTU equipment and hanging out with the DJs," Watts said.

Aside from winning prizes and eating food, there were tents and activities like the 1890's Museum display, and the Civil War encampments that educated students and community members on the history of how life

was like during the 1890s.

Adults were not the only people who could enjoy themselves, children had a play area where there was a mini carousel, a tiger bounce bag and a petting zoo as well as games and activities.

Various shows and musical acts filled the park as the day went on. Shows such as Clyde Peeling's Reptiland, a boxing exhibition, and the hot dog eating contest as well as the duck race. Some musical acts were the Ellison Collection and Jim Haner The Banjo.

Anne Cooper, Director of Multicultural Affairs, was in charge of both the MISO and BSU booths.

"I'm happy that the rain didn't come, we had a good day. My two organizations are working well together and are doing good fundraising. My high light was the reptile show, its incredible and great," Cooper said.

The re-enactment of the first night football game was delayed by a few hours because of the bad weather conditions but that did not stop them from giving an unforgettable performance, and demonstrating how difficult it was to participate in a sport during the night without the proper lighting.

Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ Commercial Rant of the Week: Those new Geico commercials where they make you think it's a commercial for something else, then all of a sudden the doctor/lawyer/soap opera star/contractor/baseball coach says, "I just saved a bunch of money on my car insurance." Right when you think something good is gonna happen, like the two lovers are really going to get into it, they drop the "car insurance" bomb. It's like those Energizer Bunny commercials from forever ago. I remember a particular one about some movie about biker chicks that looked really good, and all of a sudden here comes the stupid pink bunny. Some ad exec somewhere is going to hang for this.

★ Last weekend I went to the Board of Student Government Presidents Convention in

Harrisburg, the highlight of which was the four hours I spent with the editors-in-chief of the other SSHE newspapers. It was such a relief to find that we at *The Flashlight* are not the only ones who completely forget to lay out pages every once in a while. My favorite story was that of a news editor who, frustrated with the way that week's issue had turned out, purposely misspelled his own name and put the byline, "RARG!!!!!!!!!!" underneath it. We newspaper editors are a breed unto ourselves, I'll tell you that much.

★ My new favorite movie is *Chicago*, and I'll tell you why: it makes me want to be a dirty jazz singer in some liquored-up dive. That would be so hot; to dance around in fishnets and high heels. I'm also very interested in the Taye Diggs aspect. I think I could really live with him announcing my

every move. I realize that this is purely fantasy, of course, due to the fact that the only forms of exercise I get are lifting forkfuls of cheesecake to my mouth and tooling around the mall looking for bigger pants. For heaven's sake, Catherine Zeta-Jones kicks her legs, like, *up above her head*. I failed out of gymnastics class in the third grade because I couldn't do a chin-up. Suddenly it doesn't sound like such a bad idea to just stay parked on the couch in front of the TV with a pint of Ben & Jerry's.

★ Next time you're in AHUB 317, check out the gravity-defying dead flies that are stuck to the ceiling tiles. They've been there for three weeks, and I'm just waiting for one of 'em to detach and fall on someone's head in the middle of an SGA meeting. *evil laugh* It's really sad that I don't have anything better to do with my time, isn't it?

OPINION & EDITORIAL



Mama and me, Christmas 1983

From the Editor's Desk: *Love the ones that love you*

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

*Morning comes and morning goes with no regret
And evening brings the memories I can't forget
Empty rooms that echo as I climb the stairs
And empty clothes that drape and fall on empty chairs
And I wonder if you know that I never understood
That although you said you'd go, until you did, I never thought you would*
(“Empty Chairs,” Don McLean)

They say it takes at least a year to even begin to get over the death of someone. You have to experience each new season and holiday without them, and adjust your life accordingly.

It will be one year on Wednesday since my mother passed away, victim to a rare and aggressive brain tumor. She was 46 years old; I was 21. I've nearly made it through these first 365 days so I should be nearing the “getting over” phase, but I'm not sure if something like that is even possible. The pain that keeps me constant company now is just as sharp as the pain I felt when my father called to tell me I'd better come home because Mama was fading fast; it aches just as much now as it did when he called back to say I was too late...she was already gone. I never got to say good-bye.

In some ways, dealing with death is like breaking up with a significant other: you have to get used to not being able to do the things you used to do. But this is so much worse than any breakup I've ever been through, because its permanency is constantly staring me in the face. There is no “getting back together.” This is how it's going to be for the rest of my life.

The things I miss most about Mama are the little things she'd do to make something special: playing carols at top volume to wake us up on Christmas morning, wearing silly party hats on our birthdays, making broccoli salad on the Fourth of July. I miss being “us girls” - the only females in a house full of men. She was my ally, my strength, my idol. I just wish now I would have told her that more often.

These nights, I lay in bed in a blind panic, trying to remember the comforting sound of her voice, the gentle peck of her kiss on my cheek, the soft touch of her cool hand on my feverish head, the flowery smell of her perfume as she held me in her arms. Tears well up in my eyes as I realize that she's becoming harder and harder to picture. I'm starting to forget, and that scares me more than anything.

I know I'm wearing my heart on my sleeve here, and I probably don't have any right to do that. But the fact is, I'm not the only one on this cam-

pus who's lost a parent, and I think it's necessary for all of you to know what we go through every day so that you can cherish every second you have left with your parents. That's my charge to you: tell your parents how much you love them and how much they mean to you, and say it often. You never know when they'll be gone. Take it from me: it's harder than you can ever imagine to want so badly to tell your mother you love her and not be able to. I'll never again be able to tell her that she was my hero, that she was so beautiful to me in her quiet strength and grace. You, who still have the opportunity to voice those sentiments, should do it today, tomorrow and every day after that.

For the past two summers I was on the O-Team, welcoming all the new freshmen to the university, and I saw a lot of mothers and fathers come in, worried-eyed, with their “babies.” They were nervous and unsure about letting go of their children, and a lot of them had a tendency to fret just a little too much. Most students were patient, but the way that some of them spoke to their parents made me sick to my stomach. Don't disrespect the people who brought you into this world; don't tell them to “shut up” or to leave you alone. They came all this way with you; don't make them eat lunch by themselves just because you found some new friends. Don't you know that I would die to have lunch with my mother just one more time? Parents will be there for you long after your so-called friends have forgotten you exist. If you're lucky enough to have parents that care about what you're doing and what you like, thank them for being your greatest fans. They love you unconditionally, and you should do the same to them.

I know Mama would be so proud of everything I've accomplished since she left me, but it's hard to be happy about anything. Every celebration and get-together my family has feels so empty now. We've taken her chair away from the table, but there's still an undeniable void there. That sits heavy on my heart, and makes it seem useless to look toward the future.

For so long, I've bitten my lip and blinked my eyes fast to stem the tears, quickly changed the subject and avoided looking at her picture. But now is the one time that it's okay for me to close the door and cry for the mother I lost.

So, professors, coworkers and friends: you won't see me on campus next week. *The Flashlight* will be in the capable hands of Associate Editor Jenn, the answering machine can catch my messages and my friends will give me the notes I miss in class. I have something far more important to do, and that's to kneel with an armful of flowers at a small gray headstone just left of the two trees that stand together, and tell my Mama that I love her.


You should pick up the phone and do the same while you still can.

Mansfield University's Student Government Association invites all students to an open discussion about MU's budget with Dr. Lane and Dr. Bronn. SGA meetings are held every Monday at 9:15 p.m. in AHUB 317.



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Soccer shocks Indians 2-1 for first PSAC win

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

Mansfield University's women's soccer team is accustomed to making history.

The Mounties recorded their first PSAC Conference win in school history on Sept. 27 at Myers Field against Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 2-1.

The Mounties' head coach Tim Dempsey is happy to see his team back to their winning ways.

"Yes it was a historic win, but truly, it just felt really good to get another victory and end our five game losing skid," Dempsey said. "The ladies have worked very hard in practice, and it is great to get some positive rewards for their hard work."

Freshman Erin Drum scored the game winning goal for the Mounties off an assist from Amy Dominick with nine minutes left in the game. Drum's game winning goal ties her for the team lead in goals scored with Megan Colbey at two goals. Both of Drum's goals have won the game for the Mounties.

Sophomore Nicole Nycz scored the Mounties' first goal 18 minutes into the game off a Nina Lucero assist. Nycz's first goal of the season gave the Mounties a short-lived lead when IUP tied the game as Crystal Heder scored unassisted 26 minutes into the game.

The Indians outshot the Mounties, but Nicole Rodweller stopped 14 shots in the win. The loss drops IUP to 4-3 overall and 1-3 in the PSAC Conference. With the win, the Mounties snap a five game losing streak. The Mounties improve to 2-5-1 overall and 1-4 in the PSAC Conference.

"We had not been playing well and the intensity of our efforts during the losing streak was below the level we needed to be competitive in the PSAC," Dempsey said. "So all week long we talked about playing with more heart and intensity for the full 90 minutes. Hopefully, now



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Mansfield's Nicole Nycz (14) scored the game's first goal in the Mounties' 2-1 victory over the Indians of IUP on Sept. 27.

the players know the effort they must put forth every game to be successful and what a great feeling it is when you can walk off the field totally exhausted and victorious."

The Mounties lost to Lock Haven University on Sept. 24, 5-1. Lock Haven scored three of their five goals in the first half where as the Mounties' lone goal came in the second half with two minutes to play. Freshman Amy Dominick scored for the Mounties on an assist from senior Val Shaw. Dominick's goal was her first of the season.

The Lady Eagles of Lock Haven earned their first PSAC Conference win of the year with the help from their two-headed New Zealand attack. Brooke Rangi and Joanna Bisphan, both from New Zealand, netted the Lady Eagles' first two goals of the game for an early 2-0 lead. Rangi scored seven minutes into the game on an indirect kick, assisted by Bisphan. Next, it was Bisphan header 24 minutes into the game from a Rangi cross that gave Lock Haven the 2-0 lead.

Before halftime, freshman Cheryl Runko scored on corner kick from Holly Homsher to give Lock Haven a 3-0 lead at halftime. In the second half, Lock Haven picked up the scoring right where they left off.

Jaralai Powell scored for the Lady Eagles to increase their lead to 4-0 over the Mounties. After Dominick's goal, the Lady Eagles added their fifth and final goal of the game when Caitlin Sultzbach scored with only seconds left in the game.

Sophomore goalkeeper Julie Miller started the game giving up the first two goals for Lock Haven. Miller was pulled after 24 minutes, and Rodweller finished the game, giving up the remaining three Lock Haven goals. Lock Haven's goalie Brandie Kessler made five saves in the win.

Lock Haven improved to 3-5-1 on the season as the Mounties dropped to 1-5-1 overall before their win over IUP.

Dempsey hopes his team can learn from both games this past week. "If we can continue to play with the same intensity and desire defensively we played with Saturday, I'm confident that we will earn a couple more conference wins before the season is out," Dempsey said.

At press time, the Mounties traveled to Bloomsburg University to take on the Huskies of Bloomsburg.

This Week in Sports: Football on the mind

By JAMES SHAPPELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

College Football

Well kids, another week of football is in the books, and the question that lingers in my mind is: Is Minnesota that good, or is Penn State really that bad?

Minnesota seems overrated, but what does that make the ol' boys from Happy Valley? Joe Pa has some serious issues to resolve, and quick. Wisconsin isn't going to make things any easier, sorry Nittany Lion fans.

Now, for the top 25 rundown. Did anyone see that upset coming from Cal over USC? I really thought the Trojans looked impressive up to that point, but wow, what a setback. Iowa got bit by the upset bug, too, as Michigan State has continued to surprise the Big Ten with great play (thanks to the Spartans for making me look good). Kansas knocked off Missouri, and Oregon State tripped up Arizona State, supplying the two other big upsets of the week. Although, Washington State upending Oregon was a minor upset to add to the equation.

The other two top five teams, Ohio State and Virginia Tech, cruised to easy wins. Yes, that's right OSU fans, I said cruised, for once. Florida State, Nebraska and Michigan all got easy wins, as did Pittsburgh, Texas, LSU and Washington.

Challenges were presented to Tennessee, who fought off a challenge from Lou Holtz's Gamecocks; Northern Illinois battled out a win against Iowa State; Florida squeaked by Kentucky in a fourth quarter comeback and Arkansas and TCU used overtime to accomplish victories last week.

Bold Predictions: Last Week, 5-4, Season, 15-8.

Michigan will thoroughly pound Iowa, not because Michigan is a great team, but

because Iowa is overrated; Texas will roll over Kansas State; Auburn will hand Tennessee their first loss and Tennessee will be the only top ten team to lose this week.

NFL Football

The 49ers continue to disappoint me, and I'm about ready to give up on the season. Let's talk about how you let Gus Frerotte beat you guys. Well, at least it wasn't nearly as ugly as the Saints pounding at the hand of the Colts. Marvin Harrison and Randy Moss proved why they are two of the best wide receivers in the NFL, once again.

As for the rest of the league, Donovan McNabb got back on track with a win over a very good Bills team. The Rams, Titans, Panthers and Cowboys all rolled over the Cardinals, Steelers, Falcons and Jets, respectively.

The real game of the week had to come from the Texans and the Jaguars. Not only did Byron Leftwich finally get a start, but he almost pulled out a win. Dom Capers, head coach of the Texans, had the call of the day, going for the win rather than an overtime game with two seconds left. David Carr kept the ball, crossed the line and made him look like a genius.

The Bengals got their first win in the Marvin Lewis era, while the Raiders denied the Chargers of their first win, despite a huge game from LaDainian Tomlinson. Meanwhile, Kansas City was able to take care of business against Baltimore, whose defense proved strong, even in defeat.

Jake Plummer made things easier on the Broncos, despite not having Clinton Portis, as the Broncos defeated the Lions. Finally, Tom Brady and the Patriots came up short against the Patriots. The biggest surprise in this game was that Steve Spurrier, a passing machine, used the run more than the pass.

Mounties play come back role against Millersville

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The year started off with high expectations for the Mansfield University field hockey team.

They entered the 2003 season coming off back-to-back double-digit winning seasons. So far this season, the Mounties have only managed just one win in eight games. So where is the cause for alarm? Well, there really is none, the team has yet to call it quits and won't.

"It's easy to get down, but we have a very committed group," head coach Diane Monkiewicz said.

Junior Kristen Campbell feels the same way.

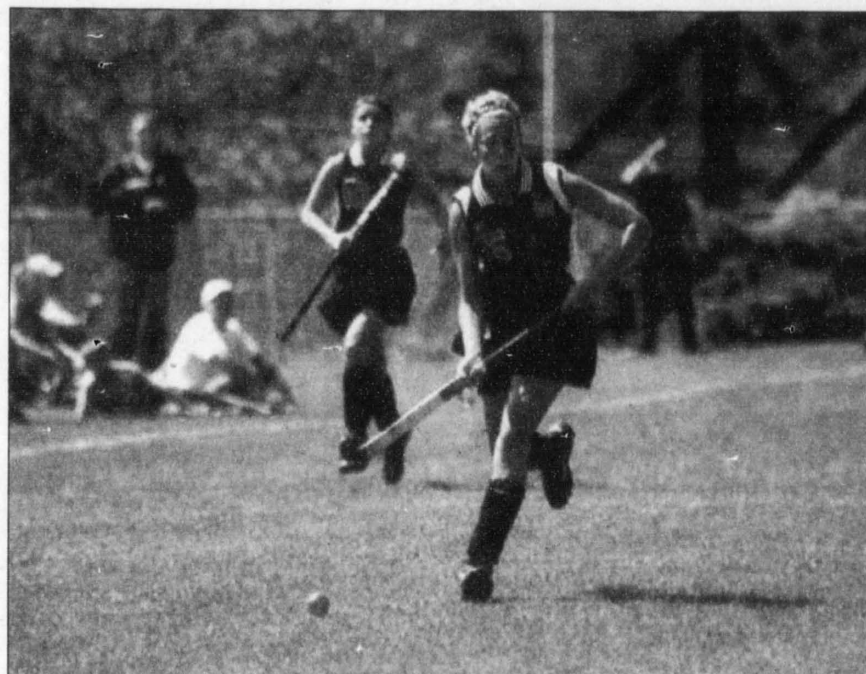
"If you play with your head down after the first goal is scored against you, that is how your going to play throughout the whole game," Campbell said. "We're going to play hockey like we know how."

The Mounties traveled to Millersville University this past Saturday to take on the Mauraders of Millersville. Mansfield entered the game coming off a home loss to Bloomsburg.

During the first half of play, both teams were deadlocked at 0-0. It wasn't until the second half when the scoring began.

Millersville's Sami Griffith scored the games first goal with 21:29 remaining in regulation.

Less than five minutes later,



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Mansfield's Christine Thiers scored the game's tying goal in the Mounties' 2-1 overtime win against Millersville on Sept. 27.

Mansfield's junior Christine Thiers scored an unassisted goal to tie the game at 1-1 to send the game into overtime.

In overtime, Campbell scored the game winning goal with eight minutes to play in overtime on a breakaway goal.

"We haven't been playing poor, we just haven't had the shots to control the game," Monkiewicz said. "In the Millersville game, we controlled the game and had possession in the offensive zone at least 90 percent of the time. The team fought back and whenever you come from behind in a game like this, it's always big. The next few games are going to be challenging but doable; we have to keep the momentum."

The win marks the second time this season that the Mounties have won in overtime. Earlier in the season Mansfield defeated Slippery Rock in overtime.

With the win, the Mounties improve to 2-8 on the season.

"[The win was] Huge, it was a must win," Campbell said. "We stepped it up, and it was the most aggressive game this season. It was a good win."

The Mounties' next game is 4 p.m. tomorrow against the Golden Bears of Kutztown at Spaulding Field. The Golden Bears enter the game at 4-6 overall.

PSAC Shorts

Cross Country: The *Bloomsburg Huskies'* cross country teams competed in the *Lock Haven University Invitational* on Sept. 27. The men placed eighth out of 16 teams; the women finished fourth in a field of 15 teams.

The *Clarion Golden Eagles* also ran at the *Lock Haven University Invitational*. The men placed in the 14th position while the women finished in fifth place.

Field Hockey: The *Shippensburg Raiders* defeated *Lock Haven*, 5-3 on Sept. 24. Kelly Stewart broke the school record for assists in a single game. *Shippensburg* is 6-1 in PSAC play and 8-1 overall.

The *Bloomsburg Huskies* shutout the *Golden Bears of Kutztown University*, 3-0. Kristy Kroppa, Marie Zorzi and Elyce Morring scored for *Bloomsburg*. Since 2001, the Huskies have won 39 consecutive games.

PSAC Players of the Week:

Melanie Bull of *Clarion University* averaged 5.38 kills and 4.31 digs as women's volleyball defeated *Millersville*, 5-0.

Jorge Chapoy of *East Stroudsburg University* scored seven goals in the *Warriors'* last three men's soccer games. Chapoy has helped in their number one regional standing.

Picks of the Week

Week 5	Chad Landers	Jennifer Nelson	Gregory Pellegrino	Mike Peters	Sarah Steerner
Vikings @ Falcons	(24-20)	(26-18)	(16-28)	(26-18)	(26-18)
Titans @ Patriots	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Dolphins @ Giants	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Patriots
Saints @ Panthers	Dolphins	Giants	Giants	Dolphins	Giants
Bengals @ Bills	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers
Raiders @ Bears	Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills
Cardinals @ Cowboys	Raiders	Raiders	Bears	Raiders	Raiders
Seahawks @ Packers	Cowboys	Cardinals	Cowboys	Cardinals	Cowboys
Broncos @ Chiefs	Seahawks	Packers	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks
Chargers @ Jaguars	Chiefs	Chiefs	Broncos	Chiefs	Chiefs
Lions @ 49ers	Chargers	Jaguars	Chargers	Jaguars	Chargers
Redskins @ Eagles	49ers	49ers	Lions	49ers	49ers
Browns @ Steelers	Eagles	Redskins	Eagles	Redskins	Redskins
Colts @ Bucs	Steelers	Steelers	Browns	Steelers	Steelers
	Bucs	Colts	Bucs	Colts	Bucs

This Week in Mountie Sports

Mansfield Sports Weekly	Wednesday 10/1	Thursday 10/2	Friday 10/3	Saturday 10/4	Sunday 10/5	Monday 10/6	Tuesday 10/7
Cross Country				Geneseo Away			
Field Hockey		Kutztown 4 p.m.		Slippery Rock Away			
Football				Millersville Away			
Soccer				California (Pa) Noon			

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On the Sidelines: Heather Long

By MIKE PETERS
Flashlight Sports Writer

Many athletic programs at Mansfield University are shining this fall.

It has been a frustrating start to the struggling field hockey team. After falling to a 2-8 start, the hockey team can only look up. This has been labeled a rebuilding year, and players like Heather Long are leading the squad with their chins up and heads held high.

Long is the goalie and serves as the anchor of the defense. She knows that if she lets down her spirits, the entire team will follow suit. Long and her teammates have set out to lead the field hockey program to future success.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Heather Long: I am a senior criminal justice major.

MP: What made you choose criminal justice?

HL: I just want to be out in the community helping people - trying to turn things around and making the community a safer place for my family and friends.

MP: Where are you from?

HL: Pottstown, PA

MP: How old are you?

HL: I am 21 years old.

MP: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

HL: I choose to come to Mansfield because this was the only school that would let me play two sports.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides field hockey?

HL: My favorite sport besides field hockey would have to be soft-



SPORTS INFORMATION

Heather Long has been the anchor for the Mounties' defense this season.

ball.

MP: When did you start to play field hockey?

HL: I started playing field hockey in seventh grade.

MP: Were you always a goalie?

HL: Yes, I was always the goalie.

MP: Why did you choose to be a goalie?

HL: I volunteered to play because I did not want to run. Now I realize that is not the case at all, and actually you have to be in good shape to play goalie at the collegiate level. Now I love to be a goalie because of the rush you get when you know you are the last line of defense until the other team scores.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

HL: I played soccer until seventh grade and have been playing softball since I was five.

MP: Do you participate in any other sports at the university?

HL: Yes, I play softball here as well.

MP: Have you won any awards?

HL: Well, I have been an academic All-American, PSAC scholar athlete and a Mansfield University presidential athlete for the past three years.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the field hockey team?

HL: It would have to be the friendships I have made and knowing that if I ever have a problem, I can turn to one of my teammates for help.

MP: Are there many similarities between field hockey and ice hockey?

ey?

HL: None whatsoever, well maybe that you have two goals but that is about it.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

HL: I would have to say our trainers, Laurie and Brian, and just working out in the off-season to make sure my body is in the best possible shape to start the season.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

HL: I am very superstitious. I have to wear the same socks, put my equipment on in the same order, putting on the eye black to top it off, and listening to Rock Wilder right before I begin.

MP: What one thing have you learned from playing field hockey that you will carry on with you in your future?

HL: I have become a better listener. I do not just give out instructions or say what I feel. I really listen to my teammates.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

HL: I hope in ten years that I am in a happy relationship and working as a U.S. Marshall or DEA agent somewhere in the country.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

HL: Right here. Right now!

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

HL: We will just have to wait and see. There is still a lot of the season left, and I am not making any predictions.

Update: The Patrick Dennehy murder case

By TOM BEGGS
Flashlight Sports Writer

Baylor University basketball player Carlton Dotson is preparing to be extradited back to Texas.

Dotson, 21, is being charged in the shooting death of former teammate Patrick Dennehy. Dotson has been held in the Kent County jail since he was arrested July 21.

Dennehy's body was found July 25 in a field near a rock quarry southeast of Waco, TX. An autopsy on Dennehy's body revealed that two gunshot wounds to his head killed him.

On Sept. 24, the paperwork was forwarded to the Kent County Sheriff's office where Dotson is being held, according to Shareese Deleaver. Deleaver is the spokeswoman to Texas Governor Robert Ehrlich. According to Aja Foster, spokeswoman for the offices of Maryland's secretary of state, Dotson can't be returned to Texas until Maryland prosecutors serve the warrant on him in court.

Originally, the hearing was set for Oct. 14 in the Kent County District Court. Since the warrant has been signed, the hearing may be earlier than expected.

According to authorities that hearing may be moved up now that the warrant has been signed.

After receiving a recommendation early in the week from an assistant Attorney General,

Ehrlich completed the extradition process on Sept. 23 by signing the warrant.

After Dotson refused to return to Texas voluntarily, Ehrlich requested a extradition hearing in Annapolis, Md., which neither Dotson or his lawyers attended.

There were some fallouts from Dennehy's death. One was the revelation of head coach Dave Bliss paying player's tuition and suppressing the failing of drug tests.

In August, Bliss and athletic director Tom Stanton resigned to Baylor president Robert Sloan. Sloan also placed the basketball program on a two-year probation.

According to court documents, Bliss is also being accused of ignoring threats made to Dennehy and that this played a role in the player's death.

On Aug. 22, Patrick Dennehy, Sr. filed a lawsuit saying that Dennehy Jr. was trying to expose corruption in the basketball program, but was threatened with violence. The family's suit showed the university's alleged coverup of the threats contributing to Dennehy's death.

"Dave Bliss denies all of the allegations that have been made against him," Attorney Michael Bliss said.

(Editor's note: Information was used from Yahoo! sports and espn.com.)

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Mounties swim by Bald Eagles

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team improved to 4-0 for the first time since 1994, with a 27-23 victory over the Lock Haven Bald Eagles on Sept. 27.

The Mountaineers overcame a difficult opponent and a lightening delay that pushed the start of the game back nearly three hours. Mansfield was led by red-shirt freshman running back Earnest "Poohbear" McNeal, who rushed for 219 yards and three touchdowns on 33 carries. McNeal also returned a kickoff 88 yards for a touchdown. The 200-yard effort was McNeal's second in his last three games.

"I just thank God that Coach Woods and Coach Isernia have the confidence to put the ball in my hands," McNeal said. "Our

"I just thank God that Coach Woods and Coach Isernia have the confidence to put the ball in my hands," McNeal said. "Our offensive line is just terrific. That opened holes tonight that allowed me to get some room."

-Earnest McNeal

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McNeal's third touchdown run of the evening gave Mansfield a 27-23 lead with 8:43 remaining. The ten-yard touchdown run was preceded by a 42-yard connection between quarterback Travis Motley and wide receiver Joe Bennett on 3rd and 21.

Lock Haven came right back, driving down to the Mansfield

23-yard line before the Mounties defense stepped up and stopped the Bald Eagles on fourth down. The Mountaineers took the ball with 4:52 left and ran out the clock on the shoulders of six carries by McNeal. McNeal picked up 77 yards on the drive, following the holes paved by his offensive line to another 200-yard effort.

"It feels good knowing that your hard work in the trenches is being complimented by a truly great running back," junior left tackle Ryan McClellan said.

It didn't appear the game would come down to the wire in the first half, as Mansfield raced out to a 14-3 lead early in the second quarter. Lock Haven responded with a drive late in the second quarter, culminating with a 16 yard touchdown pass from Troy Wile, Jr. to wide receiver Rafael Smith. The touchdown cut the Mounties' lead to 14-9,



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield quarterback Travis Motley helped lead the Mounties to victory against Lock Haven on Sept. 27.

following a botched two-point conversion.

The Mounties answered back immediately as McNeal took the ensuing kickoff and bobbed, weaved and exploded 88 yards for a touchdown that gave Mansfield its 20-9 halftime advantage.

For the first time this season, Mansfield gave up second half points, allowing touchdowns early in the third and fourth quarters to fall behind, 23-20. The second touchdown, a five-yard touchdown reception by Marcus Burkley, left the Mounties with their first fourth

quarter deficit of the season. It also set the stage for the Mountaineers' offense and defense to step up down the stretch.

Sophomore defensive tackle Keith Slezak led the Mounties defensive charge, with 11.5 tackles, two tackles for a loss, a sack and a forced fumble. Linebackers Dan Holland and Randy Reinert added seven tackles each.

Mansfield opens their 2003 PSAC East schedule when they face the Millersville Marauders. The game is at 1 p.m. on Oct. 4 at Millersville University.

Red and black victorious

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor
COMMENTARY

"Push on toward the goal, Fight for victory, Mighty cheers will roll..."

By now the entire student body has drilled these words (and the rest off the Mountaineer fight song) into memory. Mansfield's own spirit committee, a sub-committee of SGA and headed by junior Ryan Brown, is famous for singing this proud melody in support of Mountie football. "The spirit committee is adding to the team's optimism," Brown said.

"We are receiving a lot of compliments from parents and the football team."

The fight song was designed for T-shirts created by the spirit com-

mittee and Brown. These shirts definitely came in handy when my friend Sarah and I traveled to Lock Haven University on Sept. 27. We decided to cheer on our Mounties in hopes we would climb to win number four. The game was slated for 7 p.m., but the weather did not cooperate. The game started at 9:40 p.m. Needless to say, we were drenched from head-to-toe from the pouring rain.

I was surprised to see a large turnout of Mansfield students who came to support our football team. Sarah and I decided to be part of the jovial spirit committee by joining in with the cheering and camaraderie. Despite the fact we were freezing and sitting in wet clothes, we all had a blast. The

football team made us celebrate in the stands. Every second in the cold rain was worth it. I even noticed Lock Haven fans smile at our enthusiasm for the Mounties. You know you've made an impact when the rival school admires your spirit and showmanship.

"I hope this [new tradition] continues after we graduate," Brown said. "People really do enjoy it." As Mansfield pushes for their fifth straight victory against Millersville on Oct. 4, Mountie fans will follow them every step of the way. Fans are encouraged to gather groups to go to the games with the spirit committee.

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Cummings goes the distance for Mounties

Freshman Chris Cummings leads the pack of 122 runners at Salisbury

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

After just his second week of collegiate competition, Mounties' freshman Chris Cummings is moving towards a successful career.

The Mansfield cross country team traveled to Salisbury College on Sept. 27 where they competed in the Tidewater Fall Classic in Salisbury, Md.

Among the other schools invited to the invitational were the Golden Bears of Kutztown, the Warriors of East Stroudsburg, the Swarthmore College Garnet Tide and the Haverford College Fords.

Mansfield, Kutztown and East Stroudsburg were the only Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) schools at the meet. Both Swarthmore and Haverford colleges are part of the Centennial Conference.

The men's competition included 10 teams and an eight-kilometer course. Cummings ran the course at 26:10, which enabled him to seal the first place finish for Mansfield and in overall competition.

"I think you're seeing flashes of what we will be capable of. If the men are hitting on all cylinders, we will be fighting for the top five in the Conference and Region. For the women, we are looking for more steady progress."

-Head Coach Mike Rohl

"Chris Cummings ran an outstanding race to win, and we were ecstatic about that..." head coach Mike Rohl said.

"I didn't expect to finish quite that well, but I've put in the work to be running where I am..." Cummings said.

Despite Cummings' stellar performance, the men's team did not see an overall finisher until Josh Wooten crossed the line in 27th place. Wooten, who finished second for Mansfield, posted 27:44. Benjamin Israel, Richard Daniels and Rich Correll also placed for the men's side. The men finished in seventh place overall.

"On the men's side, both the team and myself were disappointed," Rohl

said. "The good thing is we were able to pin down what went wrong, and it was just a simple matter of getting some rest at the right time."

As for the other PSAC schools, Kutztown's men's team managed a third place finish in the Tidewater Fall Classic. Keith Gruchacz was the first Golden Bear to finish at 26:45 in fifth place. His teammate Joel Smith was following behind, finishing seventh and posting a time of 26:52. Gerard Ganey, Joe Haughey and Dan Wilde also placed for Kutztown. The East Stroudsburg Warriors finished the meet in fourth place.

In non-conference men's action, Lang Reynolds of Swarthmore College finished second overall. Reynolds was also 11 seconds behind the Mounties' Cummings. The Garnet Tides' James Golden picked up the team's pace and snatched the third spot after Reynolds. The Tide won the Tidewater Fall Classic title with their first place win with 47 points.

The Haverford Fords' Zach Vaslow and Jacob Bilhartz helped in the Fords' efforts of a second place finish for the men's competition. Haverford earned 61 points overall, even though several of the top Fords' runners took the weekend off from competition.

The Mansfield women's team showed their stamina and endurance as well. After being plagued by an injury, the Mounties' phenom Charity Learn finished in fifth place overall. This was Learn's first meet of the 2003 season.

"Coach Michelle and I were very pleased with the way the women ran,"



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mansfield men's cross country team finished seventh overall at the Tidewater Fall Classic.

Rohl said. "We were concerned about how well Charity's race would go after coming off her injury, but she did such a great job in her down time of staying in shape that she really hasn't lost much conditioning. It will only be a few weeks before she is in top shape."

Both freshmen Rachel Hall and Kristin Weller helped pull the women's efforts to grab a fourth place spot in overall team competition. Hall marked a time of 23:39, while Weller posted 24:01 placing them 14th and 19th, respectively.

"I feel that the race went very well," Hall said. "I am happy with how I am running as well as with how the women's team is doing."

"Our freshmen women did outstanding," Rohl said. "Both Hall and Weller ran a great race and will help our team performance." Theresa Stanford and Ashley Tierney were two of the top five finishers for Mansfield.

"Coaches Mike and Michelle are giving excellent coaching and training, and as long as the women's team follows their lead, we can expect an exciting season," Hall said.

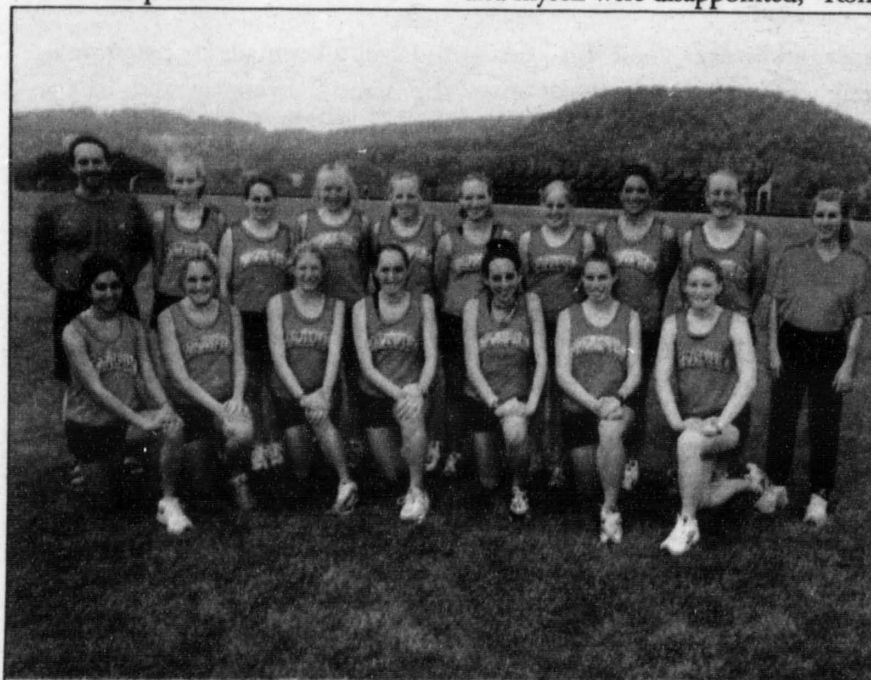
The Kutztown women's team

captured the team title as they came in first out of seven other teams at Salisbury. The Golden Bears placed five runners in the top 11. Kutztown's Molly Lare completed the course with a time of 22:39, making her the top finisher for the Bears. Niya Adams came in third and Erin Peiffer posted a 23:03 - good enough to qualify her for fifth place. Jessie Spence and Madonna Patterson also earned top 11 spots.

The Swarthmore Garnet Tide women's team ran their way to third place overall. Debbie Farrelly led the way for the Tide, grabbing third place in the individual competition. Haverford's women's team did not compete.

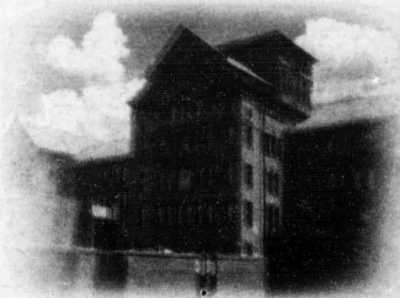
The 2003 Tidewater Fall Classic was just a taste of what is in store for Mansfield cross country. "I think you're seeing flashes of what we will be capable of," Rohl said. "If the men are hitting on all cylinders, we will be fighting for the top five in the Conference and Region. For the women, we are looking for more steady progress."

Mansfield cross country's next competition will be at 11 a.m. on Oct. 4 at the Geneseo Invitational in Geneseo, NY.



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The Mansfield women's cross country team finished fourth overall at the Tidewater Fall Classic.



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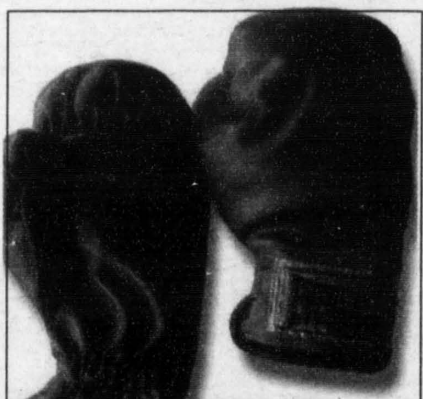
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Campus reacts to recent assault

By HILARY GRUMBINE and SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editors

Two victims of violence have come forward in cases of rape and assault on campus.

An alleged rape occurred between 8:15 and 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 25 on a wooded trail known as "the turkey path" between Butler and The Hut.

The victim, an 18-year-old female is cooperating with police. She has told police that the perpetrator was a male between 20-30 years of age. The male fled towards Butler on foot. Anyone who witnessed suspicious activity on that night is encouraged to come forward to campus police.

"If there are any other victims or anyone with direct knowledge, they need to come to us," Christine Shegan, Director of Police Services and Safety, said.

The latest attack was this past weekend. A Mansfield student reported that she had been grabbed from behind by an unknown assailant and was thrown to the ground, between 8:35 and 8:40 p.m., on Oct. 4. The incident happened in Parking Lot A, by the tennis courts.

Luckily, the victim did escape the attacker, sustaining an injury above her right eye, and was able to get to the police station. The alleged assailant was an African American male, possibly in his 20's.

Right now police do not have very detailed descriptions of either assailant; however it is believed that they will get a better description over time as the victims get over shock. According to the Oct. 6 issue of the Star-Gazette, police do not know if it is the same man is involved in the attacks.

"We have no reason to connect the dots at this point," Shegan said, "We are treating them as separate incidents and separate [suspects]."

Shegan asks that no one panics and that anyone with any ideas about how to make the campus safer come forward. You can contact campus police at extension 4900.

Campus police have been working hard on helping students feel safer.

"What we've done is had extra officers out, increasing vehicle and foot patrols. That includes residence halls and buildings open late like Manser," Shegan said.

Campus police also offer an escort service for any student who needs help. The service has been available for some time but this semester their efforts have become better known. The officers got magnets and handed them out in one shift in the residence halls. While handing them out, officers talked to residents and if a resident was

n't home, they stuck the magnets on their door frame. The magnets say that campus police offers an escort service and gave the campus police number to reach them at. If any student hasn't gotten one and would like one, they can contact campus police because there are extras.

According to Shegan, if people can travel with two or more people it helps. Sometimes campus police get bogged down with escort requests, so if at all possible, travel with someone else and if you can't call for an escort.

Starting Nov. 1, the Mansfield University Advocacy Association in conjunction with the American Women's Self Defense Association will be offering classes on self defense.

"Student Affairs and Advocacy are working to mobilize an escort service within the week," Elizabeth Shaffer, Advocacy Program Director said.

There are also fliers on campus with the names and numbers of student advocates who are trained to deal with crisis situations. These advocates can be reached at any time and are available to accompany students to the police, hospital or just to talk.

"Please don't panic," Shegan said. She urges students to stay calm and be aware at all times.



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The path where the alleged rape occurred.

Students enjoy 'The Better Life' with 3 Doors Down

By MICHELLE PEET

Flashlight Writer

For those seniors, 3 Doors Down seems to be déjà vu. But for the rest of the Mansfield University population, it's a new experience.

The concert is scheduled to take place on Oct. 24, at 8 p.m. 3 Doors Down has just released a new album and the Student Activities Organization (SAO) expects them to bring a large crowd.

SAO decided on 3 Doors Down due to scheduling issues with other acts. Those acts couldn't make the dates that SAO had available.

For those students that are interested in working the concert, you can sign up with Clarence Crisp, the Director of Student Activities, in 324 AHUB. Volunteers from

the communications organizations will be asked first, but any volunteers needed after that will be from the rest of the campus.

"3 Doors Down has a lot of good music, and I think they look forward to playing here," Crisp said.

SAO has no indication of what concerts to expect in the future at Mansfield University. They do know that students should expect SAO to be more consistent with concerts in the future. "SAO should be a little better now. We had to make a quick choice whether to have a concert or not," Crisp said.

The opening bands for this concert are Seether and Shinedown. Seether is an alternative metal band from South Africa. They begin touring with 3 Doors Down on October 16. Shinedown is a

hard rock band from Jacksonville, Fla. They join the 3 Doors Down tour on Oct. 10.

Concertgoers are expected to behave like they would at any other campus event. The rules set forth by the university are also the rules that are set for the concert. The SAO also has set a policy of no mosh pits or crowd surfing. People who deviate from following these rules will be

escorted to the door.

Tickets started selling Monday, Oct. 6. Ticket prices with student ID are set at \$10, \$25 without a student ID, and \$35 at the door.

For more information about the band Seether, you can visit their website at www.seether.com; Shinedown at www.shinedown.com; or 3 Doors Down at www.3doorsdown.com.



PHOTO PROVIDED BY MAC

"Here Without You" is one of the hottest new singles on 'Away From the Sun,' a follow up to their debut album.

POLICE BEAT

September 25, 2003- Rape- University Police department is investigating an alleged rape that was reported by a student victim, which occurred on the path between Butler and the Hut. Any witnesses that were in the area between Butler and the Hut on Thursday between approximately 8:15-8:30 p.m. is asked to contact the university police department at 662-4900.

September 29, 2003 - Criminal Mischief Disorderly Conduct- Richard A. Cummings, 21, was charged for removing a traffic boot from his vehicle.

October 4, 2003 - Simple Assault- A Mansfield University student related that in the A Parking Lot they were grabbed from behind by an unknown assailant and was thrown to the ground. The student sustained a laceration above the right eye. The student was treated at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital in Wellsboro. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact University Police at 662-4900.

October 6, 2003- Purchase, Consumption, Possession or Transportation of liquor or malt or brewed beverage- Police were called to Cedarcrest Main entrance when Joshua A. Fuler, 18, appeared under the influence of Alcohol. He was escorted from the scene.

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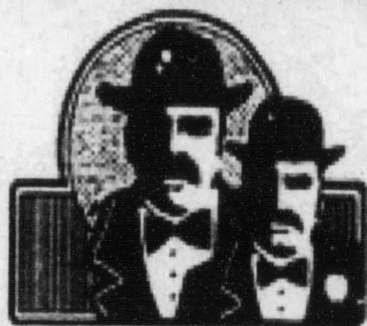
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★ **A Russian exchange student has lost her passport.** Someone apparently took it from her dorm room. The passport is red, about three inches by five inches, and has Russian characters on the front, as well as English letters saying "Russian Federation." If anyone should come across it, please take it to the campus police.

★ **Attention UNIV 1100 students!** Maple Lanes, Mansfield's bowling alley, is in need of volunteers. Perfect for your community service hours! Call Maple Lanes at 662-2721 for more info.

★ **The Political Science Club** will be meeting tonight at 6 p.m. in Pinecrest 215. The club is open to all students regardless of political affiliation.

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What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

National News:

WASHINGTON D.C.- The Bush Administration's chief investigator in Iraq formally told Congress last week, "Iraq's nuclear program was in only the very most rudimentary state." After searching for nearly six months, U.S. forces in coordination with the CIA have found no chemical or biological weapons. In a closed session in front of the House and Senate Intelligence committees, David Kay said that he would need six to nine months to complete his work. The administration is requesting an additional \$600 million to aid in Kay's effort to find weapons of mass destruction.

CALIFORNIA- Arnold Schwarzenegger is wrapping up a bus tour across California, still leading in the polls against embattled Governor Gray Davis. The actor's campaign has been recently troubled by allegations that he groped women, and also for earlier comments in which he praised Adolf Hitler. The action star faced more sexual harassment allegations in an article published Oct. 5. The bus tour was scheduled to conclude with a noon rally at the state capitol in Sacramento on Oct. 6.

CHICAGO- The Chicago based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation has offered

"genius grants" to a soil scientist trying to end hunger in Africa. The scientist is a nursing professor searching for better ways to treat elderly cancer patients and a writer who explains issues such as adoption and death in her children's books. As in previous years, the foundation offered the awards to people in an array of different fields. The amount of the award is \$500,000; and the recipients may use the money as they wish. President of the foundation, Jonathan F. Fanton commented that, "The central theme is creativity, and what the diversity of this class of fellows reaffirms is that creativity can be found in many places in our society."



World News:

ISRAEL- Israeli warplanes bombed what the military called an "Islamic Jihad training base" located deep inside Syria on Oct. 5. The raid came in retaliation for an Islamic jihad suicide bombing at a restaurant in Haifa that killed 19 people and is

the first attack by Israel on Syrian soil in more than two decades.

LONDON- A former Cabinet minister under Tony Blair said that he believed the Prime Minister's main reason for going to war with Iraq was a desire to remain on good terms with the Bush administration. Chris Smith, the former Culture Secretary, is also alleging that Blair believed that Iraq had no "usable" weapons of mass destruction. Another former Cabinet minister who claims that the Blair cabinet was in turmoil over the prospect of military action, also substantiated the charge.

ADDIS ABABA- An enraged Ethiopian mother of five will be tried for the murder of her husband who died after she crushed his testicles in a fight, police told the state-run news agency. According to police, the man was so embarrassed after the incident that he declined to seek treatment and died several days later. "Following a disagreement over the husband's spending habits, his wife refused to give him his dinner and also decided to sleep alone. The husband was so angered that he tried to beat her." In the debacle that followed, the wife grabbed and twisted her husband's testicles inflicting serious damage.

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News and cnn.com

Missed appointment epidemic at clinic

By KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

Students missing their scheduled appointments at the Mansfield University campus clinic has become an epidemic at the facility over the past couple of years.

In order to provide students with more efficient health care, the clinic would like to advise students to call ahead if they will not be able to attend their appointment.

Lori Hall is the Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner that attends to patients at the clinic.

"Periodically, students who have made appointments for the clinic sometimes forget to come, or sometimes realize that they are feeling better and a visit will not be necessary, neglecting to notify the clinic," Hall said.

When students do not call to cancel or reschedule appointments many other problems result. Betty Keener, a Medical Office Assistant at

the clinic, has the task of taking out the students medical files, and preparing paperwork for the patient when the appointment is made.

"When students miss their appointments a lot of paper as well as time is wasted," Keener said.

Another problem that results from these missed appointments affects not only the clinic staff but other students as well.

"The problem is that when there are no shows and there are students waiting to be seen, those students trying to receive an appointment must be put off a day because I am booked," Hall said, "We want to provide a quality service where students are getting in the day that they call."

Students who neglect to cancel their appointments may also add to another current issue affecting the campus clinic, waiting room time.

"I had an appointment for 3p.m. on a Thursday afternoon," Mike Peters

said after making an appointment several weeks ago at the clinic. "I arrived at the clinic by 2:45 p.m. and waited until 4:15 p.m. Even after I was finished there were still about five students who still hadn't been seen, and the clinic closes at 4p.m."

Lori Hall suggests that this problem occurs when students arrive at their appointments late. Some paperwork needs to be filled out when arriving at one's scheduled appointment. When a student arrives late and still needs to fill out the required forms, all of the other patients for the day can then be pushed back.

The clinic sees over 300 students per week. In order to provide the most efficient service, it is very important that students practice proper appointment procedure. It is recommended that students call ahead to make or cancel an appointment. It is also recommended that students arrive early to fill out any necessary paperwork.

Mountie spirit on the rise

By KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University has all the ingredients for a student body filled with school spirit with a dedicated Spirit Committee, an energetic Vice President of Student Affairs, and a winning football team.

Through the efforts of these groups, school spirit is in the spotlight this year as it is proudly displayed across the campus and the community.

One of the organizations directly involved with Mansfield school spirit is the Spirit Committee. The committee, a subcommittee of Student Government Association formed last year by junior student, Ryan Brown, has been dedicated to providing students with means to display their school spirit.

"I felt as though there was a lack of spirit at Mansfield University compared to the other schools around us," Brown said.

One of the Spirit Committee's accomplishments is the success of the student spirit section found at Mountie football games.

"Last year's spirit section was a learning experience," Brown said, "But this year the section is very popular. The [student reserved section] is normally completely filled by 1:00 p.m."

The committee is also responsible for the spirit t-shirts present around the Mansfield campus. The spirit t-shirts are sponsored by SGA.

"There is a new t-shirt every year," Brown said, "Last year's theme was Mountie Madness, and this year's shirts feature the school's fight song

on the back. Our intention this year is for Mansfield students to learn the lyrics of the fight song."

Students may attend away football games this year by riding the spirit bus. The bus transports students to games in close proximity to Mansfield. One upcoming trip will be to Bloomsburg University in November to attend that week's football game. Students riding the bus must pay their own admission to the game, but transportation is free. The Committee on Finance sponsors the spirit bus.

Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Shari Clarke, is also helping boost the school spirit of Mansfield students. One of the changes this year is that Dr. Clarke was directly involved with the new Mountie Mascot. This year's mascot features authentic mountaineer dress.

"The mascot costume was made locally," Clarke said. "It is all period reflective of mountaineer time. The entire costume is elk suede, and the hat is real raccoon."

Dr. Clarke also helped with the development of "Spirit Friday". Every Friday before a home football game, faculty and students are encouraged to wear red and black to show their school pride.

"It is great to see not only more students wearing the school colors, but more faculty as well," Clarke said.

School spirit can also be seen this year in the Mansfield community. On Friday's before games, local businesses display Mansfield flags to show their support for the university. This summer, letters were sent to local businesses asking for their cooperation in renewing school spirit.

"It is a surreal feeling driving along down town Main Street with all the businesses proudly flying their flags," Clarke said.

With the help of this year's winning football season, Mansfield students have a new reason for pride in their university. For students who wish to become more involved directly with school spirit, they may attend the Spirit Committee meetings on Mondays at 8:30 p.m. in Jazzman's café.



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An open letter from the President

Dear Mansfield University Students and Parents,

In the past few weeks, much information, some rumors and misinformation, and much speculation have arisen regarding ongoing contract negotiations between the State System of Higher Education and APSCUF, the State-wide faculty union. In light of the current uncertainty, and in view of some very recent happenings, it's important that I, as your President, provide some factual information and try to anticipate and answer many of your questions. I fully understand that there is great concern about the prospects of a faculty union strike. For that reason, a list of answers to commonly asked questions accompanies this letter. We hope that this information will be helpful and informative to you at this time.

Yes, the State-wide faculty union did announce on Oct. 2 that the membership voted to authorize a strike, but this does not mean that a strike will necessarily occur. The authorization vote gives APSCUF leadership the authority to strike if they determine that such action is needed. While authorization votes have previously been taken in the State System; strikes have not happened and it is generally acknowledged that a strike would only hurt students. It is my understanding that the State System has not been advised of a potential strike date; in fact, bargaining continues between the State System and APSCUF. The parties held a bargaining session on Friday, Oct. 3, and as a result

of that meeting two additional bargaining sessions have been scheduled for this Friday, Oct. 10, and Friday, Oct. 17. Let's all be hopeful that these talks lead to a fair agreement by both parties and your education will continue uninterrupted.

Nevertheless, we must be prepared if a strike does occur. In the event of a strike, the University will remain open. The University has a contingency plan to keep the campus open, ensure students are safe, and keep students on schedule toward the completion of their degrees. All services such as student activities, residence halls and dining, the library and the fitness center will be open. Those faculty who choose to teach will be permitted and encouraged to meet their classes. Should a strike occur, up-to-date information will be provided to all students via the University's web page and the campus television network. We will operate much as we do during severe winter weather when the University remains open and classes are taught by faculty who make it to campus.

I realize that contract talks and the potential of a strike—even if it is only a few days—can be disturbing and unsettling. That is why we must have faith in the bargaining process and acknowledge that both parties are trying hard to negotiate to reach an agreement and to avert a strike.

In closing, please know that Mansfield University remains unwavering in its commitment to quality education and its student-centered mission. This proud tradition of serving students while facilitating first-rate teaching and learning will continue. When all of this is over, you can count on all members of the University community, working together, to provide you with the very best education possible.

Sincerely,

John R. Halstead
President

Questions and Answers : Regarding a possible strike

Q) When will a strike take place?

A) The strike authorization vote did not specify a time for a strike. APSCUF has previously taken strike authorization votes, the most recent in 1999, but has never actually called a strike in its history. Thus, there is no certainty that a strike will take place. Both APSCUF and the State System continue to negotiate as of the date of this communication.

Q) Will Mansfield close the University if a strike is called?

A) No. The University will remain open if a strike is called. Residence halls, Manser dining, the Fitness Center, and other offices will remain open if there is a strike.

Q) Will classes be held if a strike is called?

A) By law, individual faculty members have the right to decline to participate in a strike action if called. We

hope that faculty members will honor their commitments to students and conduct their classes as scheduled. Individual faculty members will need to make a decision whether to strike or to report to work to teach students. The State System will not replace faculty in the classroom. If a strike occurs students are still expected to attend all classes.

Q) Will financial aid be affected if a strike occurs?

A) To the best of our knowledge financial aid will not be impacted by a strike. Students holding work-study jobs must continue to work to receive their award.

Q) Will I receive a refund if a strike occurs?

A) Any policy decision regarding a refund of tuition will be made by the Board of Governors for the State System of Higher Education. We are

not aware of any plans to authorize a tuition refund if a strike occurs. Since the residence and dining facilities will remain in use, there is also no planned adjustment for room and board charges.

Q) What will happen concerning missed class time if a strike occurs?

A) It is not possible to give a definitive answer to this question since that will be a matter for negotiation in the event of a strike. Options will depend upon the duration of the strike, but certainly may include everything from a) not extending the semester and basing grades upon the work completed to b) extending the semester for a few days.

For more information on the strike visit <http://www.mnsfld.edu/news/negotiations.cfm>

Strike Negotiations Continue

By EMILEE DANIELSON

Flashlight Writer

Association of State College and University Faculty officials in Harrisburg announced that the tally from the strike authorization vote had been completed late last week.

Of the nearly 90 percent of union faculty that participated in the strike vote, 95 percent of those voting voted to authorize union officials to strike on their behalf should contract negotiations reach a standstill.

In the hopes of resolving this situation before a strike becomes necessary, APSCUF representatives met with state system representatives in Harrisburg on Oct. 3 to continue to discuss the proposed contract.

"It was a positive that the two sides were able to come to Harrisburg after four weeks of silence," Kevin P. Kodish, Director of Communications for APSCUF in Harrisburg, said.

Information released by APSCUF stated that Friday's negotiation session was not as successful as each side would have liked and it failed to produce any changes for either side. In light of Friday's unsuccessful negotiation meeting, several more dates have been made to continue to negotiate and mediate towards the possibility of settling the contract dispute. New dates have been set for this Friday where small group mediation is going

to be attempted and the results will then be brought back for the negotiation team as a whole next Friday. Both sides hope that the small group negotiations will help to iron out some of the more pressing and complex issues, especially faculty concerns about health care coverage and quality education for students.

One of the faculty members who is a part of APSCUF's negotiating team is Mansfield University faculty member, Bill Chabala. As a member of the negotiating team, Chabala has been working with APSCUF since June 2001 to create and decide on a new contract.

Although it may seem that APSCUF and state university system representatives are not making any progress, Chabala feels otherwise.

"There are a number of issues that have not been discussed in any detail," Chabala said, "As long as some movement is being made, negotiation sessions will be taking place."

As faculty negotiations continue it is important to keep in mind that although a strike is possible, everyone should continue to remain calm. Chabala wishes to reassure students that both sides are making great efforts to have successful negotiations so that a strike will not take place.

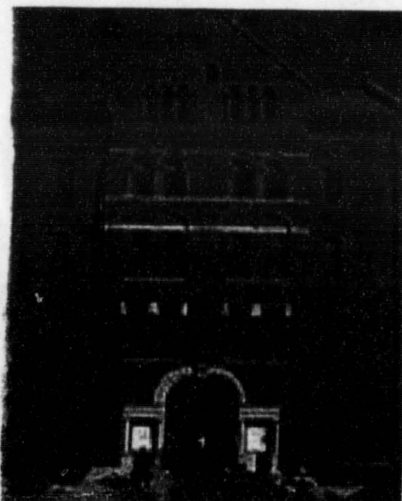
"This isn't an easy decision for facul-

ty to make," Chabala said, "both sides realize that [the strike] would create a difficult climate for all involved."

Traditionally, not only has APSCUF and the state administration had a good working relationship, but so has the Mansfield chapter of APSCUF and the Mansfield administration. In the case of a strike both the faculty and the administration will be working hard to respect each other's position on the issue, but also to keep students informed of how things will be happening and what will be expected of them.

In the coming weeks, Provost Mike Lane will be hosting some information sessions with students to address questions and concerns. One will take place today at noon in the Planetarium and other sessions will be announced as they are scheduled.

Keeping students informed has also been one of the goals of APSCUF throughout the negotiation process. For Mansfield students wishing to become involved, a trip to Harrisburg has been organized for tomorrow for students interested in showing support for faculty. Students from all 14 state universities will be in attendance outside the Dixon Center in Harrisburg where the Board of Governors will be meeting. Transportation and food will be provided for all who make the trip.



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SGA Update

By BRYAN BELLOWES
Special to the Flashlight

After a brief hiatus, the SGA update is back, full of information concerning you, the students. This week's wrap-up fills you in on the BSGP conference and food service.

Ten SGA senators and *The Flashlight* Editor-in-Chief attended the recent Board of Student Government Presidents (BSGP) conference in Harrisburg. Over the two-day period, there were several question-and-answer sessions held with Judy Hample, chancellor of Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education (SSHE). Understandably, the possible faculty strike was the subject of many students' questions, and many times the discussion became very heated. Hample reiterated several times that the SSHE is doing everything it can to spare the students the trouble of a strike.

Other issues discussed were: the housing crunch, which is affecting all 14 SSHE schools as more students are accepted than the facilities have room for; performance funding, which rewards larger schools that have done well rather than assisting smaller schools who need help; statewide budget cuts and what needs to be done to eliminate the \$40 million deficit; university accreditation and its high cost; and Hample's idea of the "perfect classroom" (25 to 30 motivated students, lots of technology readily available, a knowledgeable professor and a well-equipped, well-lighted room.)

At the end of the conference, Mansfield was elected to host the next BSGP conference in November. Thanks to Russ Althouse for creating and presenting the presentation that clinched the vote for us.

On Sept. 29, SGA invited Scott Cummings, Director of Food Services, to our meeting for an open forum dis-

cussing the changes in food service this semester. One of the first questions asked was, "Why are the prices so high in the new Mountie Den?" Cummings answered by explaining that many of the items in the den are now sold retail and this is why the prices are high. MU has nothing to do with setting the prices of food. Another major issue that was addressed concerned meal equivalencies in the Den. Cummings said that it is possible to shop for meal equivalencies in the Den without going over. Prices for all the foods are posted, so it's a matter of doing the math and calculating what you can buy with what you have.

Some other questions were more focused on specific problems in food preparation, food/item availability and staff complaints. Cummings answered by informing SGA that everything will be dealt with so the problems are fixed; he also stated that there are kinks in the system that will be worked out in time. SGA asks that students be patient with food service but to keep providing useful feedback to the company.

At Monday's meeting, SGA announced that we are having a logo contest that is open to the entire campus. The purpose of the contest is to have someone create a logo for SGA to use in the future; the winner will be chosen Nov. 3 and will receive a prize of \$50 flex dollars. If there are any questions please contact the SGA office at x4984.

Make sure to read next week's article because the issues of budget reductions and campus "blue lights" as discussed by Dr. Bronn and Dr. Lane will be addressed. SGA meetings are held at 9:15 p.m. every Monday in AHUB 317. All students, faculty and staff members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Psychedelic Casino lights up Alumni

By JEANETTE ESTEVES
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield Activities Council planned an electrifying night of gambling with a Psychedelic Casino.

Black lights illuminated the Multipurpose room in Alumni Hall on Oct. 4 as well as MU students who had white clothing on to give a psychedelic effect to the atmosphere.

Clarence Crisp, Director of student activities, was in charge of this psychedelic evening making sure everything went as smoothly as planned.

"We had a lot of fun and we enjoyed the night," Crisp said, "we had a lot of good gifts to give away, people enjoyed themselves and we hope to do a few more things like this."

Games such as Blackjack, Roulette and the Big Wheel entertained students as they played with fake money, allowing their gambling experience to have an authentic touch. Each student started off with twenty thousand fake dollars and two raffle tickets.

"For each ten thousand that you win you get a ticket and if you win an additional ten thou-

sand you get another ticket," said Valerie Malukas. These tickets were for the main event which was the raffling of prizes.

Other forms of entertainment featured two big screens that displayed music videos of the sixties and a Hendrix's Oxygen Bar. Another student working this event, Sharon Powell, said "the oxygen bar is not suppose to get you high but rejuvenate you."

The main event of the entire night was the raffle barrel. Each person had to turn in their chips and, in return, received raffle tickets. Those raffle tickets would be the only things between them and the exciting prizes. An X-Box, DVD player, DVDs, a digital camera and a lava lamp were some of the prizes that you could win.

"I found this to be an extremely fun and exciting event," Bob Long said, "it got everyone out, and you got to mingle with other people, and learn about other members of the campus community. I think it was a good event overall."

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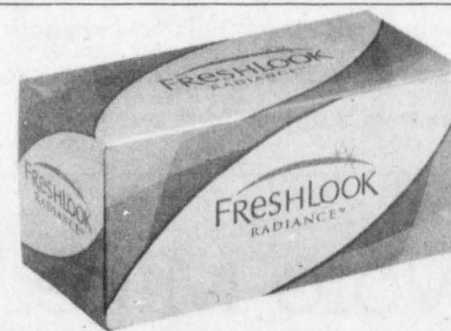
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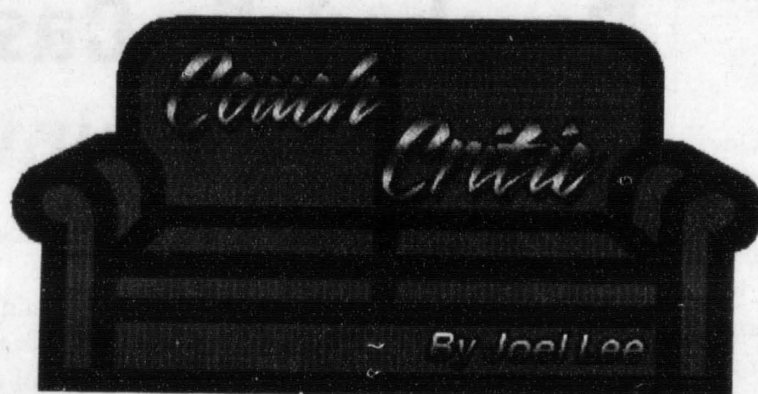
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I think, in light of reports of two rapes on campus the past couple weekends, we at Mansfield need to develop a new rule of dealing with rapists. Rape sickens me, the realization that someone relishes power so much that he would devour a woman for his perverted gratification. Rape is not solely a physical attack, but also a psychological assault leaving a mess of emotions gasping for expression. Rape is a disillusionment of power, a bastardly statement of grandeur intertwined with desperation needed to conquer his own fears. No excuses exist for rape; it destroys the fabric of relationships we have with one another, and the realization that the people who did this on our campus may be walking around here, content with their own evil makes me disgusted to be a man. It saddens me that in our society we have to find ways to protect each other, to teach women when, where, and how they should walk so as not to have this happen to them. We should not have to teach women how to deal with fear; it is an absurd notion that we place emphasis on the woman's responsibility to learn in this situation, not the rapist. How is it that we have developed such a shallow reaction to rape that we expect women to change things about themselves instead of finding ways to prevent this from happening? Have we actually just assumed that rape will happen, so it's up to women to protect themselves? I find this ridiculous, a lackadaisical approach to dealing with a disturbing and disgusting act, one that many people do not want to look at, so, therefore, if we place that act of protection of the victim, then we don't have to truly blame anyone. We feign sympathy for the victim, denounce the rapist, then forget the aftermath of it all, leaving the victim and those close to her to deal with healing; we no longer worry about the victim, no longer wonder how to punish the rapist, and we expect the world to balance out itself, leaving us free from caring, free from perversion, and, worst of all, free from being complete and good.

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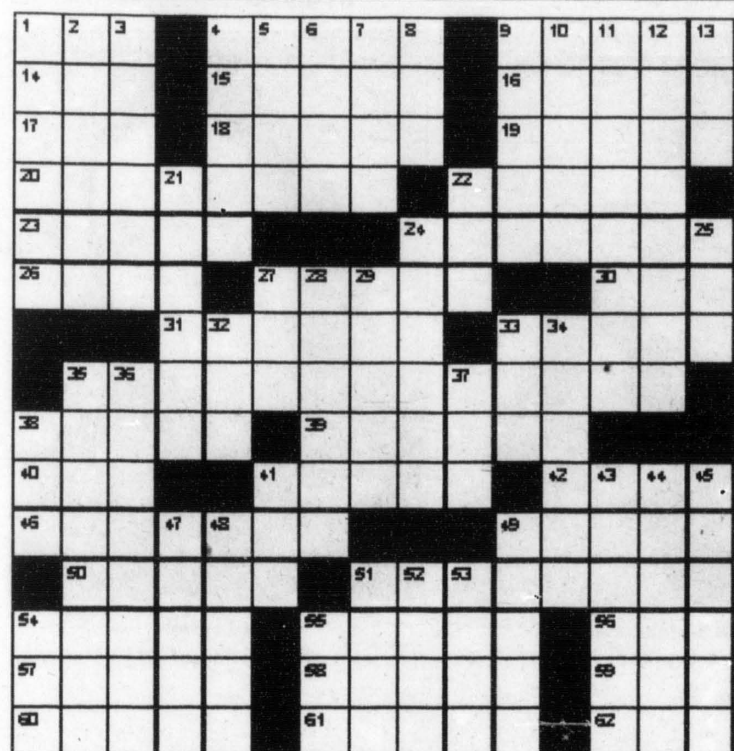
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 4. Cottage or cabin
 9. Healed
 14. Military leader in Turkey
 15. At right angles to
 16. Places to cook food
 17. ____ and feather.
18. Loud laughter
 19. Needs
 20. Embryo to adult development
 22. Underneath
 23. Northwest U.S. state
 24. Fiendish
 26. Indian skirt
 27. Type of card

30. California canyon Santa ____
 31. Sacred Egyptian beetle
 33. Subsequent
 35. Feeling of uneasiness
 38. Treasured possessions
 39. Bolted
 40. Flightless bird
 41. Aesthetically pleasing to the palate
 42. Well mannered man, for short
 46. Brings in
 49. British cookbook writer Smith
 50. Kennedy matriarch
 51. One who seeks office
 54. Chord of three tones
 55. Evil being
 56. Type of lift
 57. American painter Robert
 58. Get up
 59. "____ a tramp..."
 60. Having a rim
 61. Turned off the volume
 62. Computer key
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1. Jargon
 2. East-central African country
 3. Type of sauce
 4. Slow in music
 5. Woodwind instrument

6. Cain and Koontz
 7. Sinise of Forrest Gump
 8. Letters preceding ens
 9. Celestial body
 10. Tissue suspended from the soft palate
 11. Vibrate
 12. Twists together
 13. Alternative for cable (abbr.)
 21. What you say when you finally understand
 22. Nocturnal flying bird
 24. Amen
 25. Railroad unit
 27. Brittany Murphy role in Clueless
 28. Boxing and hockey stages
 29. Rulers of India
 32. Truckers' radios
 33. Honest president
 34. Move nervously
 35. Smashed
 36. Emerging violently
 37. Ron of Tarzan
 38. Clothing line for juniors
 41. Type of camera
 43. Canadian actress Cuthbert
 44. 5 cent piece
 45. Follower of Lao-tzu's teachings

47. Chicago airport
 48. Performed again
 49. Supped
 51. South American country
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Puzzle by TINA KAMBOURIS

Last week's solution:



You're Barking Up the Wrong Tree

By TINA KAMBOURIS

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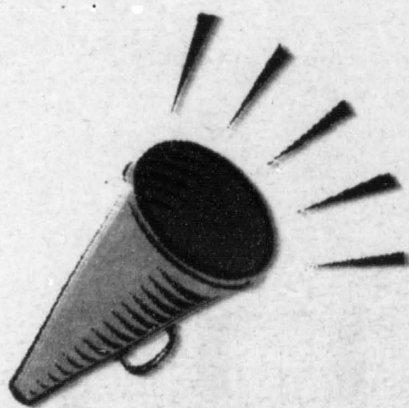
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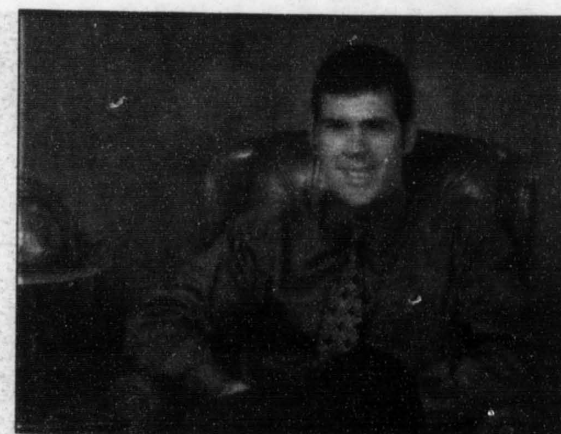
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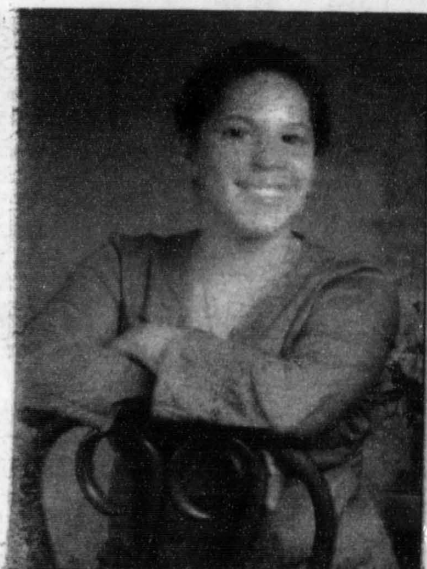
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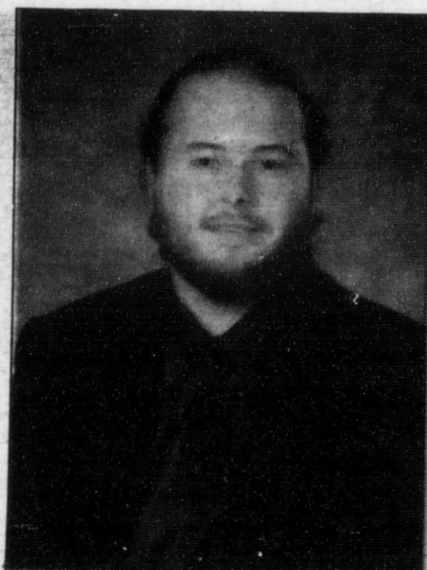
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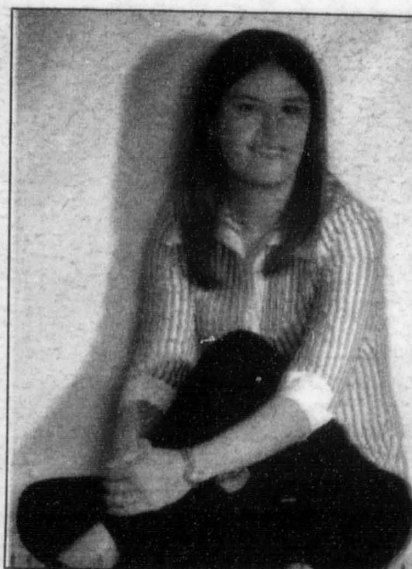
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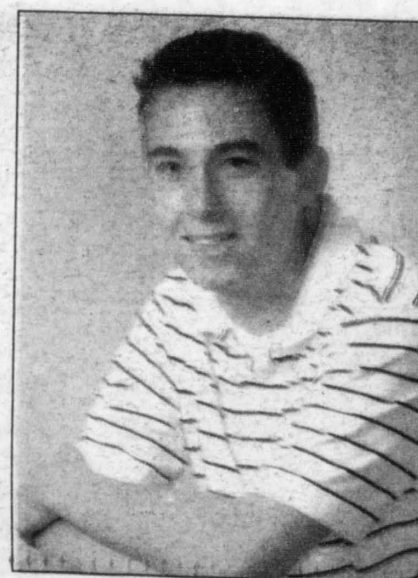
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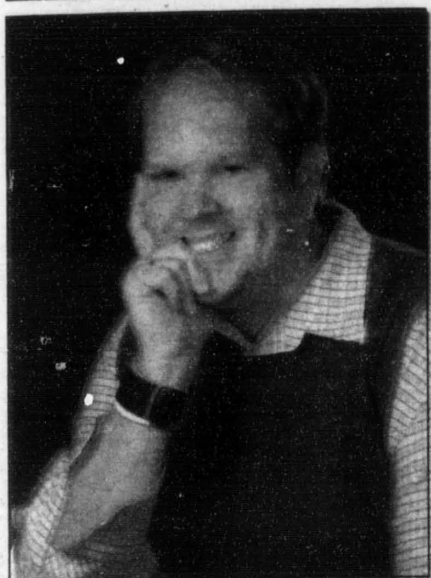
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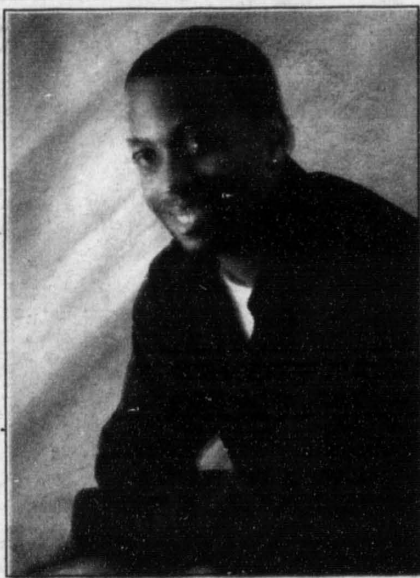
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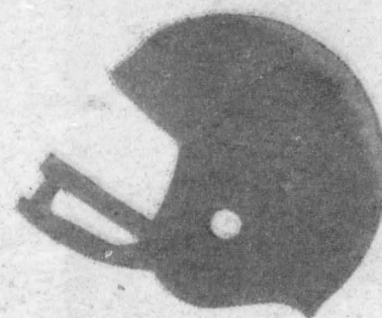
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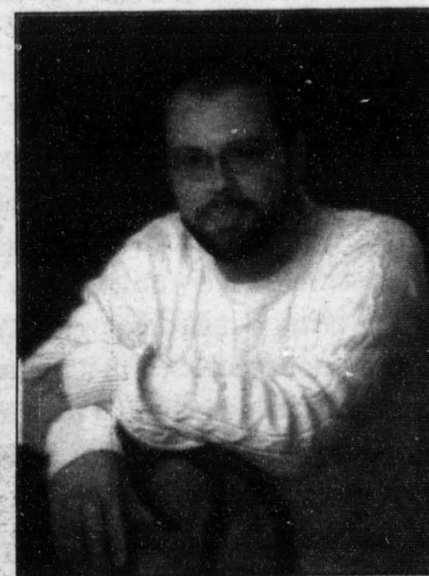
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OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: *Living the dream*

By JENNIFER NELSON
Associate Editor

It was three years ago during the fall semester that I stepped onto the Mansfield campus. This was my first time away from what I knew was home. I would venture into many new things at college. Little did I know this mysterious journey would put me somewhere that several individuals thought impossible.

During my junior year at Carbondale Area High School, my future plans were pretty much set in stone. After dabbling with the idea of being a microbiology major in college, I decided that I could not see myself in a white lab coat. Instead, I envisioned myself sitting behind a desk at *Rolling Stone* magazine or *Sports Illustrated*. It was from that point on I knew the field of communications was my passion. My high school never had a newspaper or any communication-related classes; the only class that truly put me on the starting block was composition. My teacher, Mr. Sabina, was the only teacher who had faith in my decision. Everyone else said I "should stick to where the money is" and I would "really not go far in the business." I didn't care about the money - the only thing that mattered to me was having a career that I loved. It hurt to hear those negative words from my teachers.

So I set one foot forward in hopes of pursuing my dream to prove to them I *could* and *would* accomplish my goal. I remember the first organization I signed up for at the 2001 organization fair - *The Flashlight*. Daniel Amidon, *Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight* at the time, asked me which section I wanted to write for. Without a doubt in my mind, I told him sports. Sports Co-Editors Michael Kane and Greg Pellegrino contacted me, and a week later my first article was published. It was a small task, but it was indeed a stepping-stone into my

future. Upon Kane's graduation in 2002, I was chosen to be Greg's partner. Even though I had some pretty intense times, most of them stressful, I managed to pick myself up from the painful fall.

Roberto Alomar, my favorite baseball player once said, "You don't know how long you'll be able to enjoy what you're doing. Do something that you love, and enjoy it while you're doing it." I hold these words dear to my heart. I know that my goal of being a professional sports journalist or anywhere else in the sports world can be achieved. I know my passion will get me there someday, it may not be exactly what I want at first, but I will climb the ladder of success. I think everyone should take Alomar's words into consideration because they can only lead you to a life full of happiness.

Working with Greg and the rest of the editorial board and staff has made me realize one very important life lesson: What doesn't kill you only makes you stronger. If you enjoy something so much, the obstacles that you face will only benefit you in the long run. This past summer, I worked in a factory. I gained a lot more respect for factory workers, especially my own parents. I used this experience as an incentive to earn my college degree and strive for my dream job.

I do want to thank my parents, my brother Jeff, Mr. Sabina and my close friends at Mansfield who have helped and supported me every step of the way. Next semester, I am officially taking over for Rachel Adams. I am going to miss her energy and work ethic. I will also miss working closely with Greg and my sports writers. We formed a "team" that will never be forgotten. I am going to be the best I can be next semester to prove that I am capable of achieving my dream. Never let anyone steer you away from your goals. You have the power to be what you want and do what you want. Do not lose sight of that wonderful gift.

Letter to the Editor: Response to Presidential Criticism

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in response to Christopher Shadle's article regarding President Bush. Christopher mentioned that Bush is an idiot, but I'm not quite sure he's right. First of all, to graduate from Yale I doubt you can be an idiot. Also, I don't think an idiot could win a presidential election. An idiot could not rally our country after one of its darkest moments.

Chris also mentioned the oil topic in his article. Do you really think we are dumb enough to go into a country for the sole purpose of getting their oil? That would be crazy. We would have complete chaos on our hands. America is still one of the greatest nations in the world, and we have no reason to regain some sort of status that we have supposedly lost. I would also like to know how Bush has trampled on

the rights of homosexuals and minorities. It appears to me that Bush has nothing but been accommodating to these groups of people.

Also, just because Bush has had some speech mishaps, it in no way means he is not capable of calling our troops into action. If a man who is a regular liar and accused sexual predator, such as our former president, can call troops to action, there is no reason Bush can't.

I hope that you can see now that Bush is not an idiot. Nor is he solely responsible for the state our country is in. We need to take a long hard look at our former president and our current congress for the answers to that question.

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Politics and Opinion: Gun violence in the United States

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

Hunting season is upon us, and sportsmen (and women) from all across the state will be out in droves over the next couple of months taking advantage of their second amendment rights.

Having been reared by a family of avid hunters it makes me proud to see that there are individuals who find the sport

interesting. In my opinion, I'd rather go to a movie, hang out with friends or curl up with a good book. You wouldn't catch me in a tree-stand hunting for Bambi's mom or dad if my life depended on it. But for those of you who enjoy the sport, I say more power to you.

What bothers me is the fact that there is a strong movement in this country to make it easier

for people to buy and/or possess guns. If you think I am referring to the NRA, then you would be partially right.

Last weekend I saw the documentary *Bowling for Columbine*, by filmmaker Michael Moore. This film was shown last year at Mansfield, and there were a few things that struck me. First, there is a scene in which we see that in return for opening an

account at a bank, a customer (Mr. Moore) can receive his choice of firearms. Does this bother anyone?

Does it make sense to hand out firearms in a bank? I guess the old adage, "only in America" is appropriate here.

I think that the NRA has received a bad rap in the last decade, and has been sort of a scapegoat for the failed gun control measures put out by the state and federal governments. The NRA, in addition to other redeeming qualities, promotes gun safety, which I think is noteworthy.

However, of the major industrialized nations in the world, the United States is ranked at number one in terms of gun violence. It is absolutely preposterous for anyone to contend (as many NRA proponents do) that the rights of hunters (as well as others) are being trampled upon.

If you cannot wait three or four days for a background check to purchase a shotgun, then you should not own one. So does gun violence occur because there are too many

guns, or are too many crazy people creating this violence? I would argue in the latter, which is why it perplexes me that there are many in this nation who advocate less stringent gun control measures. Doesn't it make sense to stop the flow of legal and illegal guns to those who would use them to harm others?

This debate is likely to continue ad infinitum with sportsmen and gun advocates on one side, and pro-gun control advocates on the other. Cooperation is the key to this issue and the channels for good constructive dialogue must be kept open.

We must work to curtail the gun violence in this country, and we owe it to the many victims who have paid the ultimate price. I encourage you to rent *Bowling for Columbine*, and when you do, keep your mind open. Depending on your views, you might end up taking a baseball bat to your television set, but remember to be gentle. Any dialogue is better than no dialogue at all.

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Hot Topic of the Week: The Rush Saga

Conservative Commentary?

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It's been a week now, and ESPN's NFL pregame show is without Mr. Conservative himself, Rush Limbaugh.

On the Sept. 28 "NFL Sunday Countdown" Limbaugh suggested that Philadelphia Eagles' quarterback Donovan McNabb was "overrated because the media wants to see a black quarterback succeed." Wait just a minute, Mr. Limbaugh. Did you really mean what you said about McNabb? Have you seen this man play? I'm guessing you haven't. Get a clue Limbaugh: we are past the color barrier in sports and the rest of the world. McNabb stands next to the NFL's greatest and most talented quarterbacks.

What makes this matter even more disturbing, despite the fact Limbaugh made a negative racial comment, is that his roundtable partners, Chris Berman, Steve Young, Michael Irvin and Tom Jackson had to take the heat from Limbaugh's remarks as he made no effort to respond to his own comments. McNabb was highly offended (how could he not be) and let ESPN know how he felt.

Limbaugh left the show on Oct. 1 because he did not want ESPN employees to deal with his comments. First of all, Limbaugh did not mesh well with the likes of Berman, Young, Irvin and Jackson. Second of all, where does he, of all people, get the right to offend someone so harshly? He doesn't. Hey, Rush. You left talk radio a while ago and that was a good thing. *Wherever you go, controversy follows. Give it up already.* Oh, yeah, conservative? Far from it.

I'm just glad that McNabb was not completely enraged by ESPN. Other athletes probably would have been, leading to possible lawsuits. According to ESPN.com, Rodney Peete and the Rev. Jesse Jackson felt Limbaugh's remarks were out of line. "You can have your opinion, but there are certain things that are sensitive that you have to adhere to and certain lines that you don't cross," Carolina quarterback Rodney Peete said. The Rev. Jesse Jackson said that Limbaugh's words were "a painful insult".

Limbaugh may be the only person who thinks this way about African-American quarterbacks in the NFL, but it really does not matter. There is no difference between black and white anymore. It's all about your skills and talent. When will society realize this? For Limbaugh, I'm sure it's too late. Take your 'conservative commentary' somewhere else, *please*.

Credibility vanished with one sentence

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It wouldn't be the NFL if there was no drama. Who would have thought someone from ESPN would be the center of it? (Enter Sarcasm)

Everyone knows what happened. ESPN's Rush Limbaugh made the statement that Eagles' quarterback Donovan McNabb was overrated because the media wanted to see a black quarterback succeed.

Wow, talk about a mouth full. Is this guy for real? I'm part of the media and for Limbaugh to put the assumption that the media wants to see black quarterbacks to succeed insults me.

I may not want Donovan McNabb to succeed as a fan of the New York Giants, I want to see my quarterback Kerry Collins succeed but that's another story.

Limbaugh was right with the fact that McNabb is overrated. There is no question in my mind that the Eagles invested money in a quarterback that hasn't proved himself. Yes, he led them to the NFC championship game, but in my view it was the defense that carried that team. McNabb is talented and is one of the elite quarterbacks in the league, but he is overrated.

Back to the whole seeing a black quarterback succeed. Is Limbaugh color blind? Last time I checked Steve McNair, Mike Vick, Daunte Culpepper, and yes even McNabb have all had their share of success, but just haven't won the big one. But does race have to be the center point? Kerry Collins hasn't won anything, nor has Vinny Testaverde, or even the great Jim Kelly.

Limbaugh's comments were uncalled for, and he definitely lost his credibility. Mr. Conservative, as he is referred to, has just put himself on the blacklist of broadcasting. Now his whole career will be remembered by just one comment.

It's a shame that someone with such credibility as Limbaugh would go out and say something like this on national television. Just add him to the list of boneheaded broadcasters.

This Week in Sports: Finding a team is easy when you're little

By JAMES SHAPPELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

This past week I found myself in an interesting conversation leading to my discovery of how our beloved co-sports editor, Jenn Nelson, became a Toronto Blue Jays fan.

If you're intrigued, you'll have to ask Jenn. Anyway, as I began to laugh my full, devilish laugh, I caught myself, realizing the story was so similar to how I became a great 49ers fan.

When I was seven years old, I wandered downstairs where my father was watching football on the T.V. Naturally, I was intrigued and watched for a bit. I asked my dad if the team that had the ball was any good. He said yeah, they aren't too bad. It was then that I decided that would be my team.

Now, I had no idea the game he

was watching happened to be the Super bowl, or the man I saw throwing the ball was Joe Montana, but I happened to stumble across one of the richest franchises in the NFL. Call me a bandwagon jumper if you want, but my defense is that I was only seven.

My football team isn't the only sports team I've been told I was a bandwagon jumper for. When I was six, I decided to play tee-ball. It was a new experience for me and I was very excited. When I got my uniform, I immediately put on the cheap, little dark blue tee-shirt, with the name Yankees across the chest. I put on my little blue hat with the foam front and the fishnet like material in the back. Glancing in the mirror, I felt like a ball player.

Remember now, I was only six

when this happened, so I didn't even know there was a major league team called the Yankees until one of the other guys on my team wore a hat with an overlapping NY on it. My dad explained the NY stood for New York, and my love for the organization that has won more championships than any other team in the history of the world began.

Before that day I had no idea about the history of the game or the team, but because I was a Yankee, I thought it was my responsibility to know them inside and out. As of that day, I was probably the only six year old in the world that could tell you how many career homeruns Babe Ruth had (714), how many consecutive games Lou Gherig played (2,130) and who pitched the only perfect game in World Series history (Don

Larson in 1956).

So, take some time out and just think back to those special moments where you found a team that you new you would love as long as you loved sports. Your friends have probably changed since then, your surroundings and maybe even your family, but the one thing that has remained constant to me is the instability of the Bronx Zoo under George Steinbrenner, and the West Coast offense of the San Francisco 49ers.

I have to thank my mom and dad too, because they supported my obsession and illness with these teams for so many years. I had to have the jerseys and blankets and pillows to fully support the team, and they always found a way to make it happen. That always helped to make those big games special, and they always will be.



YAHOO SPORTS

New York Yankees celebrate yet another trip to the American League Championship Series after beating the Minnesota Twins 3-1 in the ALDS.

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This Week in Mountie Sports

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Field Hockey	Lock Haven 4 p.m.			Shippensburg Away			
Football				Kutztown 1 p.m.			
Soccer	Daemen College Away			Clarion 3 p.m.			

Mountie soccer shutout by Vulcans and Huskies

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mountaineer women's soccer team dropped two more games in PSAC action this past week.

The Mansfield University women's soccer team lost to California University of Pennsylvania in overtime on Oct. 4, 1-0.

"Saturday was a very disappointing loss," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "We have the ability to compete with some of the teams in our conference, but we just are not doing some simple things well to make the game easier on ourselves and get the win."

The Mounties and the California Vulcans ended regulation all tied at 0-0. As overtime wound down, the Vulcan's Tessa Babik scored the game winning goal with only four minutes remaining.

California out shot the Mounties 20-10. The Mountaineers' freshman goalie Nicole Rodweller stopped 15 shots.

California improves to 3-2-1 in PSAC competition and 8-3-1 overall. Mansfield falls to 1-6 in the PSAC and 2-7-1 overall.

Dempsey knows that his team can compete in the PSAC this year. "I hope the team found that when they competed and played hard for a full 90 minutes, we give ourselves a chance to win," Dempsey said. "Additionally, I hope they feel they can compete with most of the teams in the PSAC if we play hard and come mentally focused to the game."

On Sept. 30, Bloomsburg University shutout the Mounties, 7-0.

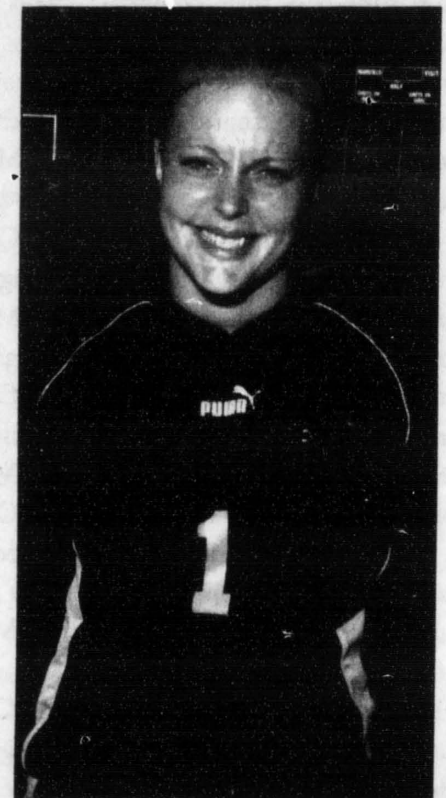
Bloomsburg scored three times in the first half and four more times in the second half. Michelle Carmosky led the Bloomsburg Huskies with three goals and two assists. Becky Ritter added two goals for the Huskies.

Kelly Salvaterra got the Huskies' scoring attack started only three minutes into the game off of Carmosky's first assist of the game. Carmosky scored her first goal of the game, Bloomsburg's second, 20 minutes into the game. Carmosky netted her second goal of the game for the Huskies 15 minutes before halftime, increasing their lead to 3-0.

The Huskies picked up their scoring right where they left off at halftime as Ritter netted her first goal of the game only three minutes into the second half. Five minutes later, Carmosky finished off her hat-trick from a Becky Callen's assist. The Huskies now led the game 5-0.

One minute later, the Huskies' Ritter added her second goal of the game, making the lead 6-0. Toward the end of the game, the Huskies' Sarah Fick scored her first goal of the season, the Huskies' seventh of the game, to complete the shutout.

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Freshman goalie Nicole Rodweller recorded 15 saves on Oct. 4 against the Vulcans of California (Pa).

Mounties 28-1. Rodweller started the game for the Mounties, saving 15 shots. In the second half, sophomore Julie Miller stopped 11 shots for the Mounties. Huskies' goalie Amanda Lawler made only one save.

Dempsey knows his team has to work harder to be successful in the PSAC.

"We have struggled taking the things we are working on in practice and applying them to the game," Dempsey said. "I attribute most of the cause of that to a lack of mental focus on the individuals part, but we still are a young team."

The Mountaineers fell to 1-5 in the PSAC and 2-6-1 overall before their loss to California on Oct. 4.

Dempsey is very optimistic about the end of his team's season. "Winning the next two games are definitely within our grasp," Dempsey said.

The Mountaineers will play at 4 p.m. on Oct. 8 at Daemen College.

On the Sidelines: Chris Cummings

By MIKE PETERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

As the Mansfield men's cross country team runs past their competition, a young leader has emerged from the pack.

On Sept. 27, Salisbury College held the Tidewater Fall Classic in Salisbury, Md. Freshman standout Chris Cummings dominated the field of 122 runners to win his first collegiate competition.

Cummings, a product of success out of Mansfield, is one of four freshman runners on the squad and one of the young building blocks for success in the cross country program. He will be bringing his winning attitude and his enthusiasm for the game to every meet in his promising future.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Chris Cummings: I am a freshman pre-engineering major.

MP: What made you choose engineering?

CC: I have a keen interest in physics and mathematics.

MP: Where are you from?

CC: Mansfield, Pa.

MP: How old are you?

CC: I am 18 years old.

MP: Why did you decide to

come to Mansfield University?

CC: Mike Rohl, the head coach of the cross country and track and field teams, began to turn the running program around. I knew that it would be a great place to fulfill my potential as a runner.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides cross country?

CC: My favorite sport is ping-pong.

MP: When did you start running?

CC: I began running when I was in junior high school.

MP: What events do you run?

CC: Middle-distance and distance running anywhere from the 800 meter to the 10k.

MP: Why did you choose to run instead of playing other sports?

CC: I acquire a feeling from running that; I cannot get from any other sport.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

CC: I played basketball for a few years.

MP: Have you won any awards?

CC: I was a high school state-medalist and the PSAC athlete of the week.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the team?

CC: Being part of a group of people that share a common interest in the sport that I love so much.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

CC: Having a great coach and great teammates is motivation at its best. Working hard with the team everyday and being able to see our progress keeps me striving to be the best that I can.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

CC: I try to visualize what I will do during the race. Other than just trying to achieve mental preparation, I do not really have a set routine because I like to remain flexible.

MP: What is one thing you learned from being on the cross country team that you will carry on with you in your future?

CC: I have learned that hard work and dedication are some of the best keys to achieving your goals.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

CC: I will be working in the area, and participating in local running events. I might even be coaching a high school distance squad.

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

CC: I feel that the team has put in the hard work and dedication needed to do very well this season. We expect to be able to compete with the top half of our conference and region. We are looking forward to ending our season with a strong showing at both of these meets.

Boxing club prepares for upcoming action of bouts and jousts

By MATT KAPPENSTEIN

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University Boxing club has been around for 11 years.

Since that time, coach Dennis Garner has been volunteering for the past 10 years. The National Collegiate Boxing Association (NCBA) certifies Garner, as well as the rest of the coaches. They are also e-certified by USA Boxing every other year.

Each student athlete is also certified with USA Boxing to participate. USA Boxing was formed to give both male and female athletes the opportunity to learn and enjoy the sport of boxing. In addition, this organization guarantees that any athlete will be put in the ring without the fear of boxing someone who has been training since an early age.

Garner said that his primary goal with the boxing club is to allow each student to represent Mansfield with honor in the ring.

"Only those who are willing to work very hard at [their] training and developing [their] skills will succeed in the sport," Garner said. "Each student that joins the boxing club will find that the sport requires discipline and a lot of heart to become a champion. At the same time, it takes a team of individuals to develop that champion."

Garner has picked two student members to assist with his goal of making every member a champion. The team captain is Mike Ross and the team co-captain is Maurice Whiteside. Ross said the goal for the team is to make sure members become more and more dedicated as the year goes on. Whiteside said he wants his teammates to do well in their bouts and up their potential in the ring.

Garner said that as of now, 43 students have signed up to be part of the boxing club. Twelve of these students are women. He

feels that this is an amazing turnout. Garner also said that 25 students have been showing up regularly since Sept. 29.

"The one thing that I think is [how] the athletes' weight classes are splintered to keep the sport safe," Garner said.

The weight classes are as follows: 112lbs, 119, 125, 132, 139, 147, 157, 165, 175, 185, 195 and heavyweight. The NCBA has also set up three class categories, which are as follows: sub-novice (beginner), novice (intermediate ability), and open class. Mike Ross and Maurice Whiteside are open class boxers.

Garner feels that he will not put anyone in the ring until he is confident that their skills and abilities will allow them to go three rounds in the ring. These rounds are one and a half minutes for sub-novice and two minute rounds for novice and open class boxers.

The boxing schedule for the Northeast has not been finalized yet, but Mansfield will be hosting bouts on Saturday, Feb. 21 in Decker Gymnasium. Garner said that when other information is available, he will make sure it is posted.

Currently, the training and practice for the club is in the aerobics room in the fitness center Mondays and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. In addition, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the bag room on the bottom floor of Maple A.

Joining the boxing club is simple. As long as you are a full-time student carrying at least 12 credits, you are eligible to join. For seniors in their final semester, you may join with fewer credits, as long as you can prove you have met the requirements of Mansfield University to graduate. If anyone is interested in joining the boxing club, you can contact Dennis Garner at muboxing@yahoo.com or call Mike Ross at campus extension x5694.

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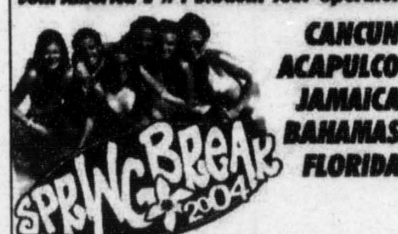
*Support group for survivors of sexual and gender violence. Free and confidential. Tuesdays @ 11 a.m. in the Women's Center (100 Pinecrest)

The advocacy program also provides support services for students indirectly affected by sexual violence. So if you are experiencing anxiety over recent reports, or if you are a friend of someone who is victimized, we also offer support and someone to talk to.

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Field hockey tacks on five against 'The Rock'

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It has been no secret that the Mansfield University field hockey team has struggled this season on shots on goal.

This season the Mounties have been out shot on an average 15 per game, but that all changed on Oct. 2 as when Mansfield played host to the Golden Bears of Kutztown.

The game remained scoreless for a majority of the first half until Kutztown's Lauren McCabe scored off an assist from Amanda Dein with 20:57 remaining in the first half.

Less than six minutes later the Golden Bears added to their lead when Colleen Healey scored off an assist from Erin Livingston.

The Mounties found themselves in a 2-0 deficit, but with just about two minutes remaining in the first half, junior Kristen Campbell scored an unassisted

breakaway goal to cut the score to 2-1 and gave the Mounties' momentum entering the second half of play.

During the second half of play, the Mounties came out firing out-shooting the Golden Bears, 9-5, in the second half.

Despite out-shooting the Bears, the Mounties fell short 3-1, when Kutztown's Amanda Dein scored the team's third goal of the game.

"We controlled the game, but we just couldn't put the [ball] in," junior Marci Lippert said.

Two days later the Mounties traveled west to take on 'The Rock' of Slippery Rock University.

Earlier this season, Mansfield beat Slippery Rock 2-1 in overtime at Spaulding Field.

From the very beginning, Mansfield came out strong. Freshman Alissa Gallagher scored within the first two minutes of the game. Five minutes later,

Gallagher struck again for her second goal of the game giving Mansfield a 2-0 lead.

Gallagher was not done. Later in the first half, she scored her third goal of the game for the hat trick to give Mansfield the 3-0 advantage.

Slippery Rock would cut the lead to two as Mansfield led 3-1 going into the second half of play.

"We had the shots," Lippert said. "We were very aggressive towards the goal."

Gallagher's surge continued in the second half as she scored her fourth goal of the game. Later in the half, Campbell added to the lead scoring a goal off an assist from sophomore Holly Frederickson.

The Mounties would go on to win 5-1. With the win the Mounties improve to 3-9 overall and 3-7 in the PSAC.

"The win reassured us that we



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mounties Alissa Gallagher scored a season high four goals in the Mounties 5-1 victory over Slippery Rock on Oct. 4

can score," freshman Shannon Brim said.

The Mounties next game is 4 p.m. tomorrow at Spaulding Field when they play host to the Bald

Eagles of Lock Haven University.

On Oct. 2 Lock Haven defeated Bloomsburg 1-0 to give the Huskies their first loss in their last 40 games.

Cross country shines at the 23rd Geneseo Invitational

By TOM BEGGS
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mountie cross country team had another strong showing, this week at the Geneseo Invitational in Geneseo, NY.

Some of the other schools that competed were the Geneseo Blue Knights, Brockport Golden Eagles, Fredonia Blue Devils and the Rochester Yellow Jackets.

The Mounties were the only Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) school involved in this invitational. In Charity Learn's second week back from her injury, she ran for a third place finish overall with a time of 23:35.

"I ran an even paced race and moved up from 15th at the mile to third at the finish," said Learn. "The cold weather helped."

"Charity's [finish] came quicker than most expected," teammate Josh Wooten said. "Even with a large pack of girls right on her, she managed to out kick and hold off many women."

Mountie freshman Rachel Hall finished second on the team and 14th overall with a time of 24:02. This marks her second straight top 15 finish.

Kristin Weller also had another good week to help Mansfield's cause with a 25th place finish, with a time of 25:01. The mountaineer women had another top five finish; this week they finished third place overall.

"I was really excited to see Theresa Stanford run so well, and Charity's comeback is remarkable," head coach Michael Rohl said.

The Geneseo women took first place overall with 23 points. Followed by the Brockport Golden Eagles with 96 points and Mansfield with 123 points.

In women's individual competition, Oswego's Susan McWilliams took first with a 22:49 finish. She was followed by Joanna Zieno from Geneseo who had a time of 22:57. The Mansfield men also had another strong showing, the Mounties finished sixth overall after a seventh place finish last week. According to coach Rohl they missed fifth place by one point.

Chris Cummings finished first on the team and third overall with a time of 26:07. "I didn't expect to do as well as I did," said Cummings. "I heard there were a lot of good teams and

didn't expect to be out in front of as many runners as I was."

"Chris Cummings ran yet another intelligent, well executed race," Rohl said. "His intensity is so evident."

After last week's 27th place finish, Josh Wooten came out real strong with a ninth place finish. He crossed the line at 26:42. "Even though we ran in terrible conditions, I feel we ran very well," Wooten said.

Geneseo also took the men's race with a 23 point total. Rochester followed with 84 points and Breakport with 147 points.

In men's individual performance, Geneseo's Ted Turner took first with a 25:30 finish. He was followed by John Beck, who was unattached, with a 26:01.

"Our next race is in two weeks and we have some real hard training planned that should bring us up a bit," Rohl said. "The men will be running close to 90 miles and the women close to 60."

Mansfield cross country's next meet will be at 11 a.m. on Oct. 18 at the Rochester Invitational in Rochester, NY.

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Mounties surge back to beat Marauders

Mansfield 5-0 for the first time since 1938

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team improved to 5-0 for the first time since 1938, with a 39-27 victory over the Millersville Marauders on Oct. 4.

The Mounties were led by a record breaking performance by red-shirt freshman running back Earnest McNeal. McNeal carried the ball 40 times for a school record 271 yards, breaking the single-game record of 241 yards set by James Tillman in 2001. Travis Motley also threw for 163 yards and four touchdowns for the Mountaineers.

Motley's third touchdown pass of the day, a six-yard connection between Motley and Joe Bennett, broke a 27-27 deadlock in the fourth quarter. After the extra point was missed, Mansfield led 33-27. After the two teams traded possessions, the Marauder's final chance

came with 5:39 left to play.

Millersville advanced the ball to their own 36 yard line before running back Mahmoud Elbattah fumbled and Mansfield strong safety Joe Frick recovered.

The Mountaineers proceeded to deliver the knockout blow, as Motley's fourth touchdown pass of the afternoon found Bennett from three yards out to put the game out of reach and account for the final score.

The first quarter offered no sign of the shootout that was to come. The only score of the quarter came on Motley's first touchdown throw, a seven-yard pass to tight end Eddie Van Buren, to give Mansfield a 7-0 lead.

Millersville provided a response early in the second quarter, as Elbattah broke a 61-yard touchdown run to tie the score at 7. Millersville took the lead late in the second quarter,

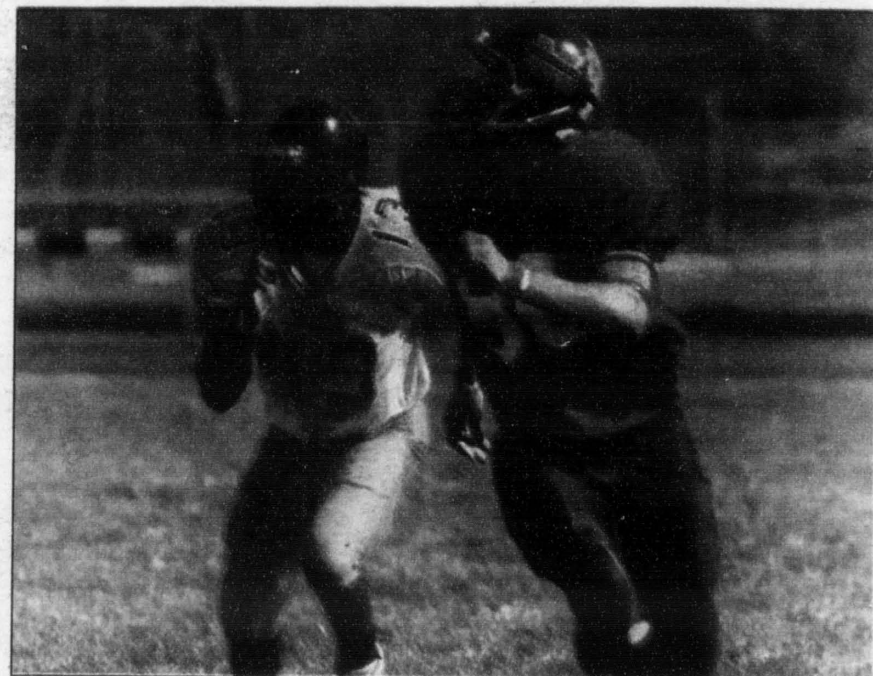
on a five-yard completion from quarterback Omar Sanders to wide receiver Alfa Jackson. The Mounties responded quickly, gaining momentum off a 40-yard kickoff return by McNeal, and finishing the drive on a fourth down touchdown connection between Motley and Bennett. The 16-yard reception was the first of Bennett's three touchdown catches on the day. The game was tied at 14 at half-time.

Mansfield received the ball to start the second half, but within a minute of the start of the half, Millersville was back on the board. On the first offensive play of the half, McNeal fumbled and Millersville recovered on the Mountie 11-yard line. Two plays later, Sanders ran the ball in from eight yards out, and Millersville took the lead, 21-14.

Midway through the third quarter, Mansfield embarked on a 99-yard drive to cut into the lead. McNeal rushed for 65 yards on the drive, and backup running back Paul Garofalo ran the ball in from 24 yards away, cutting the lead to 21-20. The extra point was no good, keeping the deficit at one.

The Marauders came right back with what would end up being their last score of the day. They drove 66 yards, finishing with a seven-yard run by Elbattah. Frick blocked the extra point attempt, and Mansfield trailed, 27-20.

The Mountaineers responded immediately, driving 80 yards on only three plays, culminating with a 39-yard scamper by



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's Joe Bennett had six receptions for 116 yards which including three touchdowns against Millersville on Oct. 4.

McNeal to tie the game at 27. McNeal, who carried 25 times for 214 yards in the second half alone, credited his desire for redemption and his offensive line for the monster second half.

"I felt I needed to redeem myself after fumbling the ball at the start of the second half and the harder I ran, the more my line blocked," McNeal said. The teams entered the fourth quarter tied at 27.

After stopping Millersville on the next possession, the Mountaineers' defense was forced right back onto the field by a fumble by freshman Brian Giannotta when the Marauders punted the ball back to Mansfield. Despite being handed the ball at the Mountie 39-yard line, the Marauders were unable to advance on the Mounties defense. The defensive stand set the stage for Mansfield's next possession, on which they

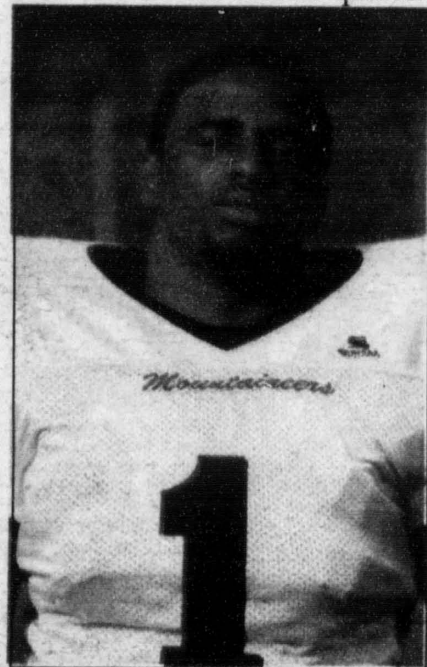
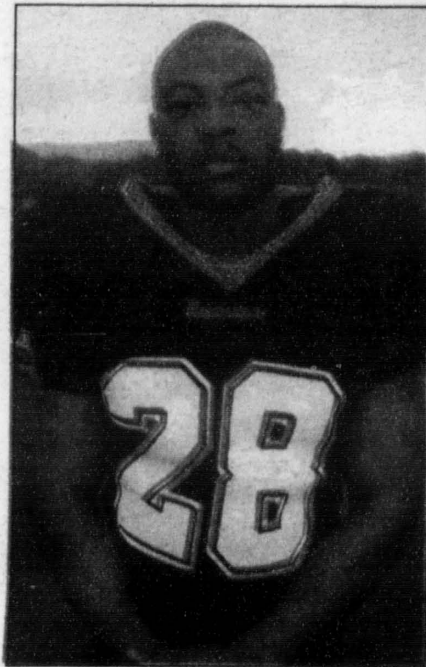
would score the winning points.

The Mountie defense was led by senior linebacker Dan Holland who had 14 tackles, including three for losses. Frick also added five tackles, two for a loss, a fumble recovery and a blocked extra point on special teams.

Mountie head coach Chris Woods was pleased with his team's resiliency.

"It was an incredible performance for a group of guys that would not give in to adversity," Woods said. "This team just refused to lose. They again showed the character of a champion."

Mansfield returns home after a three game road trip for their Homecoming game against the Kutztown Golden Bears. The game will be at 1 p. m. on Oct. 11 at Karl Van Norman Field.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's Earnest McNeal (Right) broke former Mounties James Tillman's (Left) single game rushing record of 241 against Millersville with a game high 271 yards rushing.



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Winning team draws Homecoming crowd

By MICHELLE PEET
Flashlight Writer

This year's Homecoming had the thrill of an undefeated football team to draw a crowd.

Clarence Crisp, Director of Student Activities, said that there are usually between 300-500 votes that come in for homecoming. By the end of the first day this year, 400 votes had already been cast.

Crisp described the meaning of homecoming as something that gives people a reason to return to where they have been.

"Homecoming is a returning to. Visiting old friends and a review of where you have been," Crisp said.

The day started with a parade at 10 a.m. to show off all the nominees for homecoming queen and king, and to allow different organizations to compete with floats and banners. The football

game continued the festivities of homecoming.

At the beginning of the game, Dr. Shari Clarke, Vice President of Student Affairs, announced the winners of the parade for floats and banners. For this year's first place float, the Biology Club with their Crocodile Hunter theme received the award. The first place banner was CURV (Creative University with Respective Values), a new organization on campus. CURV also received an award for best of parade, which includes banners, floats, and marching units.

During halftime, the band separated and made room for this year's homecoming nominees, reigning homecoming queen Lashonda Thomas, and the Student Activities Organization representatives.

This year's homecoming court consisted of a king and queen as

opposed to recent years where there had only been a queen. The Student Activities Organization began announcing the second and first runners-up with the king's court. Zachary Heiland and Mike Whittemore were the runners-up. The queen runners-up were Saron Ketema and Akirah Bradley.

Heiland, Keteema, and Whittemore are all seniors representing the Computer Science club, Mansfield International Students Organization and the Communication and Theatre Department, respectively. Bradley is a junior representing the Black Student Union.

The homecoming queen and king were announced. Laura Weir, a junior Music major representing the Music Department was crowned queen and Jordann Smith, a business management major representing Phi Beta

Sigma was named king.

"I was a little nervous, but I feel good now," Smith, the first ever Mansfield University Homecoming King said.



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT
Homecoming King, Jordann Smith with his escort, Shanna Davis.

ZTA sisters continue fighting for a cure

By SARAH STOERMER &
HILLARY GRUMBINE
Flashlight News Co-Editors

Zeta Tau Alpha, a fraternity for women continues to make great strides toward a cure.

Zetas at Mansfield University and across the nation participated in Think Pink to kick off the start of Breast Cancer Awareness month. ZTA also serves as volunteers for the Race for the Cure, distributes self-examination shower cards, and wear and distribute pink ribbons to promote cancer awareness.

In the Spring semester ZTA holds "Cut for a Cure," where a prestigious hairstylist gives haircuts for \$5.00 and all proceeds go toward Breast Cancer Research.

Another event that ZTA hopes to begin next semester is a dance-a-thon. Students would get sponsors, based on the amount of time they danced. This event would also benefit Breast Cancer Research.

"Breast Cancer affects everyone. One out of 8 women can contract breast cancer, while one out of 15 men are also subject to the disease. It would be a great success if students on campus would come out and participate in the events ZTA puts together to raise money for research," Michelle Koslosky, a ZTA sister said.

ZTA sponsors the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Nancy G. Brinker, Ambassador to the Republic of Hungary started the foundation 20 years

ago after she lost her little sister, "Suzy" to breast cancer.

In 1992, ZTA began their life long commitment to the Komen Foundation. Hosting several different events in October and through the course of the year, ZTA has become a member of the Susan G. Komen Million Dollar Club, as over a million dollars have been raised for Breast Cancer Research.

In return for their volunteer contribution, the Komen Foundation awarded ZTA with the Jill Ireland Award. The Jill Ireland Award for Voluntarism honors the memory of Jill Ireland, an actress who died of Breast Cancer in 1990 at the age of 54. Her fight became such an inspiration to others because of her optimism and determination so much so that she was award-

ed the Medal of Courage by President Ronald Reagan. Jill Ireland Award recipients are honored for the work they do on behalf of the Komen Foundation and its mission.

"We take great honor in participating in the fight against breast cancer and prevention," Laura Gates, ZTA Vice President 2 said.

One of the largest fundraising events that ZTA sponsors is called "Big Man on Campus". This event will be held on Oct. 29, at 9:15 p.m. in Steadman Theater. Admission to the event is \$1.00. In addition, a 50/50 raffle will be held for students who wish to participate. All proceeds from the event will go to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

"Big Man on Campus" is somewhat like a traditional beauty pageant, however this contest features males. Representatives from organizations on campus go head to head in three different rounds of competition. Round one will feature each contender in evening wear. Round two each contender will display a talent for the audience, and in the third round a question and answer period will be held for the remaining contestants. After the question and answer segment, a finalist will be chosen by judges selected by ZTA.

"It is a really fun time for a really great cause," Gates said.



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Koslosky shows support by wearing her ribbon.

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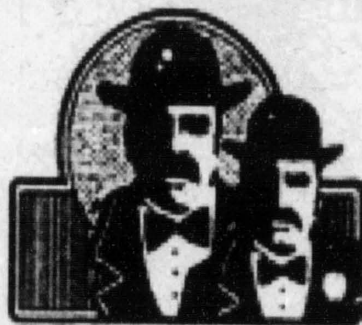
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★ **A Russian exchange student has lost her passport.** Someone apparently took it from her dorm room. The passport is red, about three inches by five inches, and has Russian characters on the front, as well as English letters saying "Russian Federation." If anyone should come across it, please take it to the campus police.

★ **RED AND BLACK ATTACK!!!!** Interested in going to East Stroudsburg University to cheer on your Mountie football team from 6-0 to 7-0? Join others and carpool to the game. Be at the baseball lot at 9:00am if interested. If you have any questions or are interested in driving/riding, call Ryan at x4089 ASAP. Go Mounties!!!

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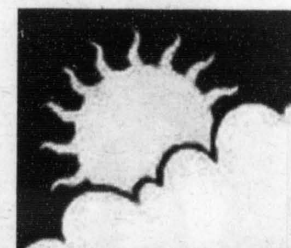
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high of 54° and a low of
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Monday- Partly cloudy,
high of 54° and a low of
35°.

Tuesday- Scattered showers,
high of 59° and a low of 35°.

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What in the world

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

World News:

BAGHDAD, IRAQ- Six Iraqis died and 32 others wounded in a suicide car bombing Sunday. The bombing took place near the Baghdad Hotel that houses Americans and members of the Iraqi Governing Council.

MINSK, BELARUS- A hospital fire left 30 patients dead on Sunday. The fire is believed to have been set by a psychiatric patient.

VATICAN CITY, ROME- Pope John Paul launched a week long celebration to mark his 25th year as head of the Roman Catholic church.

National News:

OKLAHOMA- An 11-year-old girl was suspended from a public school because school officials believed her Muslim head scarf was in violation of the school dress code policy. The school board will vote tomorrow on

whether or not the girl can return to school wearing the head scarf.

TEXAS- A car struck a group of high school cross country runners who had gathered to pray along side of the highway. One student was killed and three others were seriously injured. The driver has not been charged.



CALIFORNIA- 70,000 grocery store employees, ranging from cashiers, to meat cutters, to pharmacists, went on strike late Saturday in Southern California after failing to come to an agreement with their employers.

All news is taken from CNN.com

News from the region

By AMY KENDIG

Flashlight Writer

Williamsport- On Saturday, a Kansas truck driver was charged with speeding after he crashed his tanker trailer from Route 220 to the Route 15 access ramp, just east of Reach Road interchange.

Phillip Young, 32, suffered minor injuries. If he is convicted of both charges of speeding and violation of overturning the rig, he could face a fine up to \$2000.

The tanker was carrying 6,000 gallons of vegetable oil. Luckily, only an estimated 750 to 800 gallons leaked out. The accident held drivers as the ramp closed to one-lane for more than nine hours.

Williamsport- Saturday's Fall Foliage Express marked a historic event for Hughesville locals.

The last regularly scheduled passenger train to come through on this line was in 1971.

The train left from the Harrisburg Transportation Center with two Model E8 locomotives that hauled thirteen cars. The cars

were built in the early 1950s and originally owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

700 passengers jumped on board the train to participate in the historic launch as well as to get a ride to the Fall Foliage Festival in Renovo.

Mansfield-Homecoming 2003 started Saturday with the annual Homecoming Parade up Main Street.

This year's theme was "Picture This."

It was a tight race for homecoming queen and king.

The Homecoming Queen for 2003 was Laura Weir, who represented the Music Department.

The Homecoming King for 2003 was Jordann Smith, who represented Phi Beta Sigma.

Mansfield- Mansfield Mountaineers defeated Kutztown Golden Bears 45-24.

The Mountaineers are 6-0. It is the first winning season for the team since 1975.

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PRSSA goes to 'The Big Easy'

By ERICA HUDOCK

Flashlight Writer

Traveling often comes as a once in a lifetime chance to explore, learn, and have fun. Public Relations Student Society of America will be doing just that at the end of this month by taking the opportunity to learn from the best and see the excitement of New Orleans at this year's PRSSA National Conference, "Where Opportunity Meets Excellence."

From Oct. 24-28, Alexis Beckel, Lou Binetti, Mark Gendel, Laura McCloud, Jennifer Nelson, Noreen Rouse, Bernard Schmidt and Sarah Stoermer will be traveling down south to attend sessions on professional development, career development, and resume enhancement to develop their skills and knowledge for their future careers. In addition to meetings, entertaining activities have been planned that include agency tours, southern-style dinners, and socials.

PRSSA members from the 232 chapters around the country are annually invited to attend the nation-

wide conference to learn from the top public relations professionals. Some of this year's speakers include Angela Sinickas, President of Sinickas Communications, Inc., John Deveney, President and CEO of Deveney Communication, and Del Galloway, Senior Vice President of Husk Jennings and President-Elect of Public Relations Society of America.

"I like to watch public speakers so I can watch and see their techniques and see what they do," Noreen Rouse, Vice President of PRSSA, said. "Attending the conference is very beneficial for PR and really for any field."

In order to take part in this event, Travel Coordinator, Alexis Beckel, took charge of finding affordable flights and lodging for the group.

"We have been fundraising to help pay for the trip, but we do get some help from our travel account," Beckel said.

PRSSA is a student organization that was developed in 1968 under the PRSA that now has a membership of 7,500 students. Members

strive for an ethical, professional attitude and work to develop the knowledge needed in public relations. In addition, job placement, internships, and scholarships are beneficial advantages to active members.

The Mansfield University chapter of PRSSA endorses campus activities and organizations, Homecoming, and The Fabulous 1890s Weekend. Attending conferences, like the one in New Orleans, help the students take new techniques and apply them to these real-life public relations endeavors.

In addition to the textbook instruction from the sessions, students experience a great chance to meet new people, develop communication skills that are significant in successful public relations and network with people already in the field.

"It's a great learning experience that allows students to see what PR is all about, but it's also a great bonding experience," Beckel said.

MU students travel to Easter Island

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University Senior Anthropology major Catherine George, and Junior Anthropology major Angie DeLuca embarked on an adventurous journey to Easter Island located off the South American coast on May 30 this year.

The trip, which was a five-week field course, was sponsored through the University of Hawaii and fulfills six credits for aspiring anthropology students. Upon arrival in Hawaii, the Mansfield group met up with 20 other students from around the world and headed for Easter Island, which is a province of Chile. The group was joined by Dr. Terry Hunt of the University of Hawaii, and Dr. Carl Lippo of the University of California at Long Beach.

While on the island the students stayed in a hostel in the town of Hanga Roa, and immersed themselves for five weeks in one of the most interesting anthropological sites in the world. Easter Island is made up of several volcanoes, so most of the digging for artifacts was done on the surface. The island, which is approximately 35.4 miles long, and 17 miles wide, is made up of several small areas with one large town

which includes a port and stores with all the necessities. During the day the students would perform geophysical work including the testing of skull and other skeletal resources with some of the most sophisticated equipment that was brought with them from the anthropology department at the University of Hawaii.

"The beauty of the land is just magnificent, and the sophisticated equipment was great to work with because at Mansfield, with such a small department, we do not have access to such sophisticated equipment," Catherine George said.

The 2000 natives of the island are called "Rapanui," and the predominant language is Spanish, however there has been a recent revival of teaching of the ancient Rapanui language. The traditional Rapanui greeting is a kiss on the cheek, and the fact that there are ten horses for every person was a statistic the students found humorous. One theory is that the native peoples trace their origins from the ancient Polynesian's however there is no overwhelming agreement amongst scholars as to the origins of the Rapanui.

Easter Island is famous for its large Moai Statues, which resemble large masks.

"Everywhere you walk you see artifacts, and what was so cool are the

amount of caves," George said.

The group would take long horseback rides on the weekends to explore these magnificent caves, and in addition were also able to hone their museum skills by comparing, translating and documenting field notes from the 1930's to their own research.

George commented on how great an experience it was to live among one of the great wonders of the world. "You leave with a thousand more questions than you came with, which is what anthropology and archaeology is all about."

For more information on this study-abroad program contact the Anthropology and Sociology department at 662-4661.



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The Famous "heads" of Easter Island.

Mansfield students rally in Harrisburg

By HILLARY GRUMBINE

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Students on their way to Dixon Center in Harrisburg boarded buses at 9 a.m. last Thursday.

The Governance's Center in Dixon Center was the site of negotiations involving Chancellor, Judy Hample and the Board of Governors. Twenty students from Mansfield University joined about 270 students from such universities as Shippensburg, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Lock Haven, Millersville, West Chester, Edinboro and Cheney.

The bus arrived at Fort Hunter, just a few minutes from downtown Harrisburg. A lunch was provided for students as well as pins showing support for teachers and APSCUF. Also provided were cowbells and the candy, Cow Tails for students' enjoyment. It is quite well known by now that someone made the slip of calling

students "cash cows" which has now been the source of much debate and student frustration.

Many students were outraged at the slow process of negotiations and what they feel is being done to professors all over the state system. They're also worried about their futures as well.

"I'm here to protect my future in education as a potential teacher, current student and for the students that will follow me," Nick Olechnowicz, a sophomore secondary education major said.

Students arrived with signs saying such things as "Put Students Needs Before SSHE Greed" and "What's Judy Afraid Of? Negotiate Now!" Some wore cow costumes and some painted numbers on their faces and pinned dollars to their shirts as a protest because they feel like they're being treated as numbers and just another dollar in a bucket.

Students picketed around the building where negotiations were held, some shouting "Judy" for up to thirty minutes at a time. Despite the calls for Hample to come out and the students asking to be able to speak with her, Hample did not indulge their request. She and the Board of Governor's remained in the conference room for the entire time the students were in attendance.

Two students did manage to get inside however and speak to the Board of Governors. Jesse Phillips and AJ Khandhar, both from IUP, were admitted into the room and got to speak for five minutes.

"It's a step in the right direction for them to talk to students," Phillips, a senior political science major at IUP, said.

Students were not the only ones in attendance last Thursday. Faculty and a man campaigning for Senator stood with students.

"You're making a difference. You might not see it today and you might not see it two weeks from now, but they heard you," Charlie Crystle, a Senate candidate said to students after the rally.

Many believe that student voices are not being heard; however there are three student representatives on

the Board of Governors. APSCUF President William Fulmer urged students to keep fighting and said that they would too. He praised students as they headed to their respective buses for the long trip home.

"You made an impression, we will keep fighting," Fulmer reminded them.



HILLARY GRUMBINE/THE FLASHLIGHT

Students just off the buses at Dixon Center in Harrisburg.

SGA Update: Blue Lights

By BRETT CARPENTER

Flashlight Writer

For approximately five years, the Mansfield University Student Government Association has discussed the issue of Blue Lights and how we can get them on our campus. Each year we discover that Mansfield was not chosen to receive a state grant to install these Blue Lights. Due to the recent events on campus, Blue Lights will now become a reality on campus. Blue Lights are phones directly linked to the police station. When the phone is taken off the receiver, the police station receives a signal and will dispatch an officer to that position immediately. In researching this article I had many discussions with

University Administration and was able to obtain useful information from them.

"We are working collaboratively with SGA and student leaders to develop the best possible response to student concerns and to take substantive steps to address problems," President Halstead said.

The problem has been addressed; University Administration is moving forward with a plan to have approximately ten Blue Lights installed on campus by the end of this academic year.

Originally, University Administration developed a plan that would bring Blue Lights to campus more slowly; Blue Lights would be installed as building projects were taking place on campus. A prime example of this is the Blue Light that will be installed during the completion of the parking lot above Steadman Theatre. After the recent string of tragic events, this process has been expedited. University Administration has made a strong commitment to move forward and install Blue Lights on campus. After the initial ten installations, additional installations will exist in building projects as originally planned.

The difficulty with Blue Light installation is connecting the Blue Light system to the communication

system that the University already has in place. This issue is being dealt with and solved. Another difficulty was locating funding to pay for the installations in such difficult economic times. University Administration has made Blue Lights a priority; other projects will be deferred to allow the installation of Blue lights.

Mansfield University is one of only two universities in the SSHE that doesn't have Blue Lights or their equivalent. The University is also looking at other means of increasing safety and security. Lighting is being improved across campus, brush is being cleared to reduce hiding places, the police have become more visible through increased foot and vehicle patrols, and the Walk-A-Friend program has been started to provide escorts for students on campus. President Halstead wants it to be known that "nothing is more important the safety and welfare of our students." This is the same sentiment expressed by the rest of the University Administration.

This week SGA will be having their annual New Senator Reception to welcome newly voted in senators. SGA meetings are held at 9:15 p.m. every Monday in AHUB 317. All students, faculty and staff members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Party to be held at KFC

By PAM KLINE

Flashlight Writer

Kelchner Fitness Center is hosting a campus-wide Halloween bash from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 31 that Hugh Schintzius, Mansfield's recreation director, promises will be the "biggest Halloween party this campus has seen."

There will be plenty of food, including pizza, soda and popcorn in addition to more traditional autumn treats like candy apples and apple cider. A variety of activities will be offered to students. Students will provide some of the decorations in the course of participating in the contests. For example, in one activity, students will have approximately 3 minutes to build a scarecrow- they must, however, bring their own materials. Another activity involves creating a graveyard scene. There will also be a pumpkin carving/painting contest for which carving materials but not paints will be provided.

No Halloween party would be complete without a costume contest as well. Categories for the contest include the three best-dressed groups by theme with a maximum of seven people in each group: the three best-dressed males, the three best dressed females, and the two best dressed couples. It is not

mandatory for students to come in costume though.

Students who do not wish to participate in the contests can dance to music provided by WNTD radio station, get a psychic reading, and hope to win one of many door prizes. The door prize raffle boasts a DVD player, a 19 inch color television, special Halloween t-shirts, a gift certificate for 25 flex dollars, and a variety of other gift certificates from local restaurants and stores. However, students must be present to win.

Student IDs must be shown at the door, but entrance and all activities are free. People checking IDs will also ensure that no inebriated students are permitted. Any student who is found to be using illegal substances of any kind during the course of the party will be escorted out and that person will lose his privileges of using the Kelchner Fitness Center for the remainder of the semester. Schintzius stressed that this is an activity that is to be an alternative to drinking.

Any student interested in facilitating, setup and/or clean up should contact Jody Hare and leave their name and phone number. Students merely looking for more information about the Halloween bash should check out the Student Activities page and the link provided on the activities calendar.



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An emergency blue light.

Staying safe on campus

Common sense is a student's best defense

By EMILEE DANIELSON

Flashlight Writer

In response to the recent attacks on campus, the campus rumor mill has been working over time. However, what isn't getting a lot of talk time on the lips of students are the things that can be done to prevent further attacks and what could be done to help solve those that have happened.

So, instead of feeding the gossip that is traveling around campus faster than the speed of light, many groups and organizations have taken a pro-active stance and are choosing to go out and do something for both the students and the campus.

Throughout the rest of the semester many events will be taking place on campus to not only increase campus safety, but also to keep students informed about what they can do to help. In fact, many things are happening right now.

The "Walk-a-Friend" program is now accepting applications from students who are interested in patrolling the campus and also serving as a safety escort for students to get from point A to point B. "Walk-a-Friend" will allow student patrollers to be the eyes and ears on campus as they will be patrolling campus from 5pm-12pm on weeknights and 5pm-2am on the week-

ends. Interested students should be able to volunteer for at least three hours a week and can fill out an application online at http://www.mnsfld.edu/~stuorgs/walk_a_friend_app.htm. Anyone with additional questions can contact Jody Hare at 4981 or Elizabeth Shaffer at 4939.

Other opportunities for students to be involved in campus safety are going to be made available through the Women's Center and MUAA. Self-defense classes are going to be taught every Sunday night during the month of November at the fitness center. The classes will be taught by Deb Makatura licensed instructor with the American Women's Self Defense Association. These classes are open to women only, information will be posted around campus and any questions can be directed to Elizabeth Shaffer at 4939.

Other measures are being taken to ensure the safety of students on campus including the installing of more lighting on campus and possibly the installation of call boxes around various parts of campus.

However, even with all of this being made available for information, the best defense against the possibility of an attack is still common sense. Students are encouraged to use the buddy system while walking on campus after dark and avoid poorly lighted areas. The Mountie Express has also begun to make a greater variety of stops on its runs, including Decker Gymnasium and Butler Music Center and when the Mountie is not running students are encouraged to call for a police escort. Any student with questions concerning campus safety or with information about the recent attacks should report it to campus police at 4900.

Reduce the risk of sexual assault

- Don't leave your beverage unattended or accept a drink from an open container.
- When you go to a party, go with a group of friends. Arrive together, watch out for each other, and leave together.
- Don't allow yourself to be isolated with someone you don't know.
- Be aware of your surroundings.

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Non-trad students and MAC bring new activities to campus

By JEANETTE ESTEVES

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield Activities Council and the Non-traditional Student Organization collaborated to bring excitement to the campus with face painting, henna tattoos, and skydiving.

"Expressing yourself" was the theme for NTSO's face painting and henna booth, which took place October 10 from noon to 6p.m.

"I've wanted a henna tattoo for a while, I was going to get one back at home. I think this was a really good chance to express myself," Amanda Peterson, an MU student, said.

The entire event was a fundraiser that would help NTSO give something back to the community, as well as providing things for non-traditional students.

There were a plethora of designs that students could choose from in books or students could draw their own design and have it copied onto a particular part of their body.

"They are pretty good, they have designs like flowers, butterflies, and unicorns, things like that," Vivian Green, a Mansfield student, said.

The general price to paint your face or tattoo with henna was \$2 dollars a picture. However, the price varied on the size and the difficulty of the picture.

Another fundraiser event that NTSO provides is a hot dog sale, which occurs every other week. You can purchase a hot dog and a soda for \$1.00 to \$1.25 depending on your choice of condiments.

"We try to gather non traditional students together so they feel like they have a place on the campus to discuss anything," Catherine George, a member of NTSO, said.

Aside from the face painting and henna, skydiving entertained students as they walked through Clinton Street.

"It was fun, I enjoyed sitting on the tubes around it then actually flying. It was also very loud," Katie Finkenbinder, an MU student, said.

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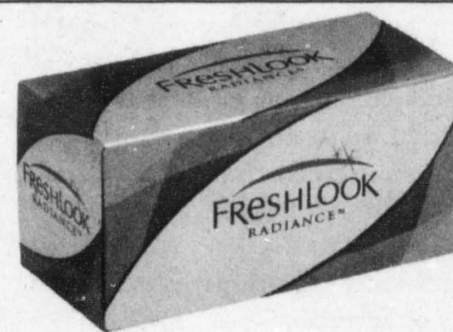


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RU-21: All the fun without the headache

By ROBERT STEIN

Daily Northwestern (Northwestern U.)

A California-based company could help end one of college students' greatest foes -- the hangover.

RU-21, a new supplement developed by Spirit Sciences USA, Inc., claims to not only prevent alcohol-related hangovers, but also to protect the body from the toxic byproduct acetaldehyde.

The company claims their product slows down the production of acetaldehyde, a compound believed to be responsible for most alcohol-related diseases and even the addictive process itself.

"It has a strong anti-hangover effect," says Emil Chiaberi, chief operating officer for Spirit Sciences. "It prevents hangovers and prevents toxic byproducts from damaging your organs."

Spirit Sciences advises those who drink moderately to take one pill before or during every alcoholic drink to reduce the negative effects of consumption.

Since RU-21 is a natural supplement, it does not require Food and Drug Administration approval. However, the ingredients of RU-21 all are on the FDA's "generally regarded as safe" list.

RU-21, also known as the "KGB pill," has a long and secretive history. Chiaberi says after the break up of the Soviet Union, science research went underfunded and scientists were left without jobs. One of these scientists, who created RU-21 for the former Russian secret police and intelligence agency, was then rehired by Spirit Science's developer, the Russian Academy of Sciences.

The pill -- originally developed to prevent the intoxication of KGB agents -- was found to prevent hangovers and to protect vital organs.

"It's not a miracle pill," Chiaberi says. "It will not sober you up and it will not keep you from getting drunk. For someone who wants to binge drink, the pill will not work."

Chiaberi acknowledges that the supplement's use already has been misconstrued. He emphasizes that the supplement is meant

only to prevent hangovers and reduce the negative effects of alcohol consumption for people who drink moderately or have trouble metabolizing alcohol.

"If you deliberately abuse alcohol, most likely this product will not work," he says.

Some people doubt RU-21's effectiveness in preventing hangovers and protecting the body from the harmful side effects of drinking at all.

"It is a bogus pill designed to make a lot of money for its manufacturers," says Dr. Mark Mycyk, a professor at the Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University and a toxicologist at Cook County Hospital in Chicago, Ill.

Mycyk says a pill that contains the same ingredients as a screwdriver, a drink made with vodka and orange juice, cannot prevent hangovers.

"If you look at the ingredients, dextrose is just sugar," Mycyk says. "Another is ascorbic acid, and that's vitamin C. So if you drink screwdrivers all night long, you should not have a hangover, since the ingredients in RU-21 are and a screwdriver are the same."

Like Mycyk, some Northwestern students say they are skeptical of the pill.

"It sounds too good to be true," says Katie Sander, a freshman. "You don't know what the side effects are. There's not enough information about it."

Others say they are concerned the pill will give people an excuse to abuse alcohol.

"If this actually works and it does what they say it does, people will use this drug as an excuse to overstep their boundaries with alcohol on a regular basis," says Adam Kaplan, a junior.

Although the drug is readily available, other means of alcohol control are also available and recommended by Mycyk.

"Drink responsibly," Mycyk says. "Don't drink if you are not 21, and if you want to avoid a hangover, hydrate yourself with water."

RU-21 can be purchased nationwide at General Nutrition Centers and other select companies. RU-21 also is available on the Internet.

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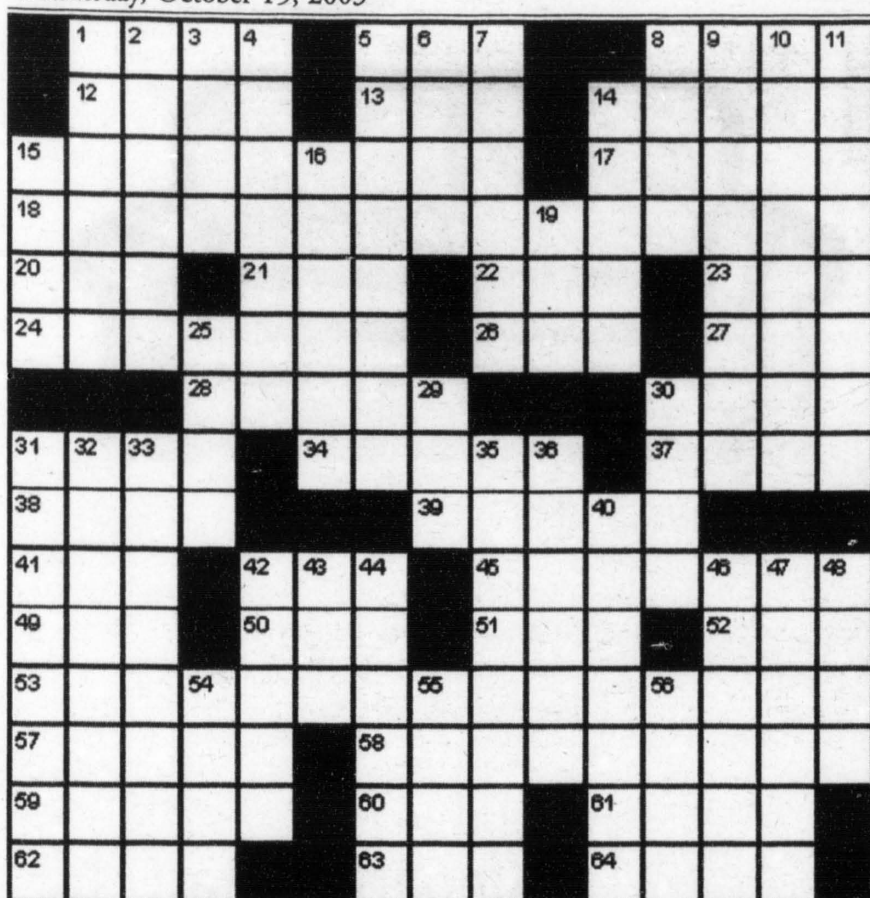
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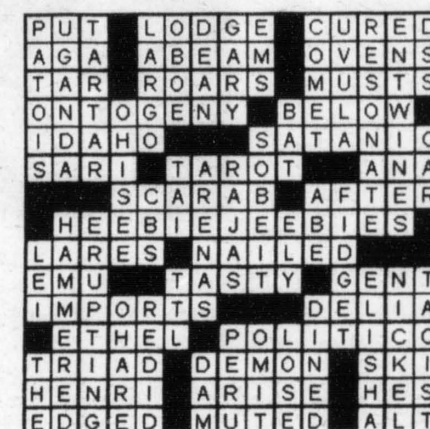
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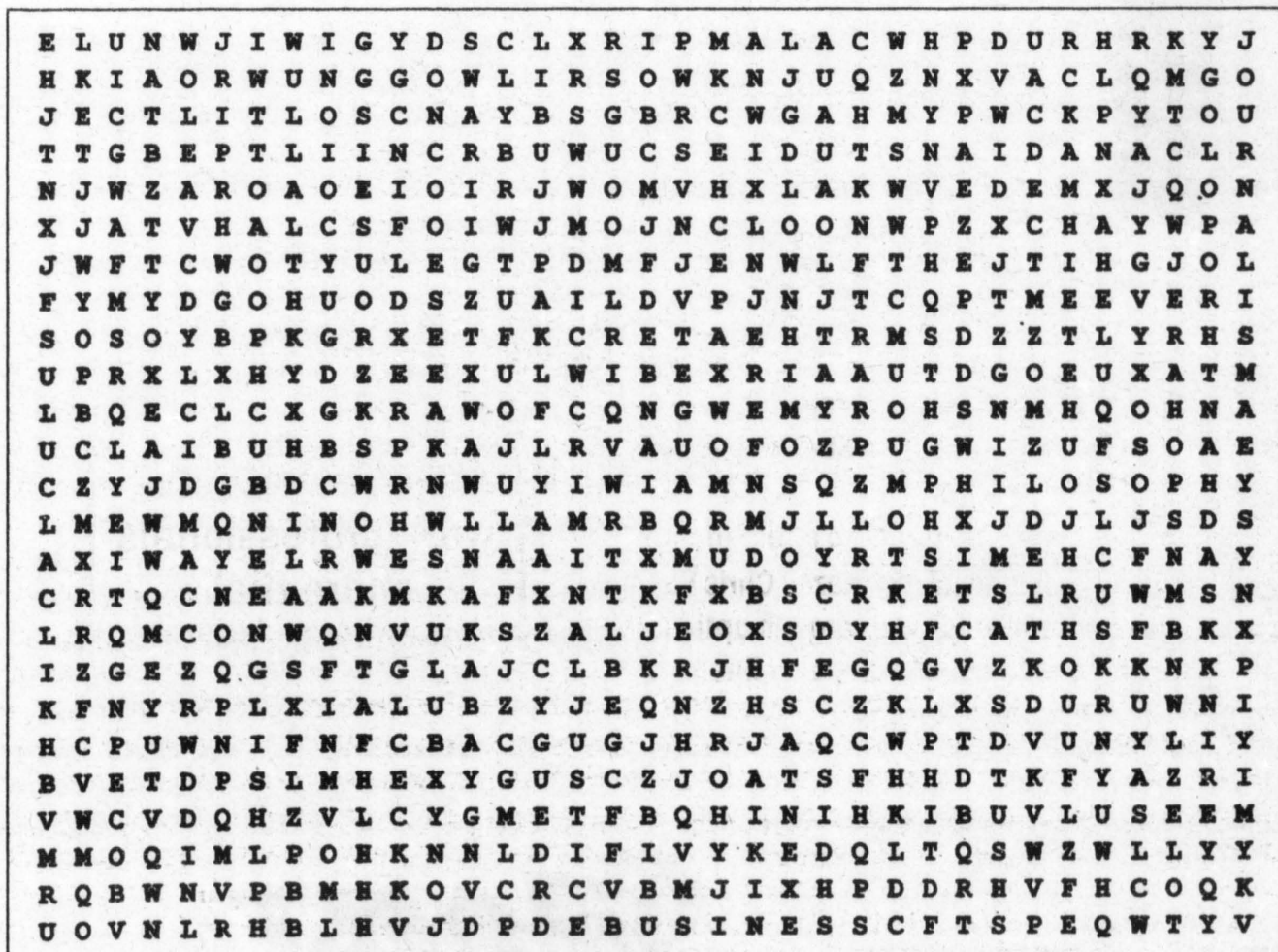
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By TINA KAMBOURIS

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10 p.m.- Bourne Identity
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10 p.m.- Philadelphia
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CD Review: stellastarr*

By KIM MOREAU

The Reveille (Louisiana State U.)

If new wave is vying for a comeback, Stellastarr is here to trumpet its arrival. The sound is something the hip outsiders from your favorite '80s movie would listen to. This is the kind of band Duckie brings Andy to see in "Pretty in Pink." And just like Duckie, some might like Stellastarr and others might not be so impressed.

The music is well-crafted and intense. Songs like "My Coco" and "In the Walls" swell with big guitars and big vocals crying out for attention.

The songs often lack instantly catchy hooks and the music is inherently dynamic, taking a few spins to get listeners involved. Distorted guitars, heavy bass lines and pounding drums never exactly congeal. Some songs could have played better in a pop context but the musical dissonance continues. Eventually the strange melody flows and the songs become catchy in their own way.

Undecipherable lyrics disguise meanings that are off-kilter and hard to grasp. The lyrics are bizarre if looked at on the written page, but in context of the song, paint pictures of "left-of-center" lifestyles.

Stellastarr uses the same vocal dynamic as other acclaimed alternative bands such as the Talking Heads and the Pixies -- a male lead singer with a female backup singer.

Singer Shawn Christensen contorts his voice to levels seemingly unnatural.

Shawn must have honed his talent with a few Cure albums as a guideline, moving from singing to screaming to strange squeals, all while keeping the melody but still sounding just a tad off.

Christensen's voice works well but on occasion bassist Amanda Tannen

sounds like she is dying for her chance to shine. Her voice on tracks like "Jenny" leaves listeners waiting for her to burst out with a verse, but she never gets the chance.

Stellastarr is either the next big thing or a few years late of the music scene they are trying to recreate.

Stellastarr blends the best of new wave acts

from the past and today's more modern rockers.

The band is not really reinventing the wheel, just making some nice adjustments.



PHOTOS BY JESS JOHNSON

Stellastarr was listed in the *Alternative Press* as one of the 100 bands you need to know in 2003.

They will be featured on *Last Call with Carson Daly* on October 21.



Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ I've decided to start a new tradition here at "Random Ramblings:" the Cheesy Pick-up Line of the Week. This one comes courtesy of my friend Noal, during a 3 a.m. IM conversation:

Boy: "Do you rent or own?"

Girl: "Own what?"

Boy: "Those wings, you angel."

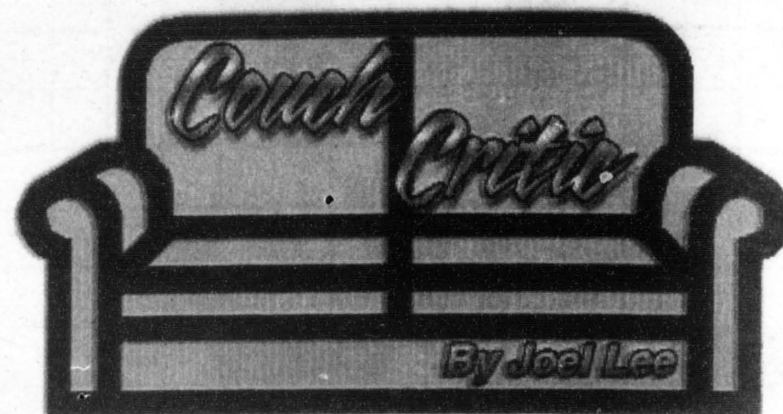
★ Remember that game, MASH, that we all used to play in elementary school? You know, where you'd list people to marry, cars to drive, etc., and then eliminate them one by one? Yes, well, you need to go here (www.playmash.com) and play it online! I'm proud to

announce that the computer picked my number-one choice for a husband, but I'm not going to tell you who it is. I think I should break the happy news to him first with my brand-new cheesy pickup line: "Hey, the computer told me that we should get married."

★ Commercial Rant of the Week: That stupid Easy-Mac commercial where the kid is on the phone winning tickets to see the Dirty Mops, and he finally gets through, but then the microwave starts beeping and he runs off because he'd rather have Easy-Mac than tickets to see his favorite band. First of all, he has, like, eight phones in his hand, and one of them is cordless. Take

the cordless phone to the microwave, genius. But I don't suppose you'd be all that smart if you'd give up a chance to see your favorite band just so you could eat Easy-Mac. Synthetic cheese and slimy noodles...mmm. My favorite.

★ My new pet peeve is when a teacher says "tomorrow" when they really mean "next class," and students look at each other and go, "What? We have class tomorrow?" Please. Stop. Doing. That. You don't want to be partially responsible for my spectacular up-and-coming mental breakdown, do you? I didn't think so.



My ever loving library,

I realize the new book section stocks books that are popular, but how come you can't include some actual literary books? I mean, I love James Patterson and everything, and I just think it's so witty of him to give all his books clichéd titles, but would it be possible, dear super-updated library, to get some reading material by people who know how to write? Would it possible for me to check out a book that might not necessarily be a bestseller, but, instead, is actually worth reading? This is a college campus; I should not be forced to search through shelves of drivel by people who write formulaic stories that happen to sell. I am not saying these books should not be on the shelf; I realize people enjoy them, but I don't. The only book in the new section that even had some critical merit in a writer's sense, at least that I can remember, was *The Corrections*, but that was there because Jonathan Franzen, the author, bashed Oprah for putting it on her Book List. Otherwise, I'm sure, dearest library, you would have ignored it. Yes, granted, you have plenty of books considered classics; I never have a problem locating my Beats, but hey, where's Charles Bukowski? Or, I don't know, maybe you could shelve some Stephen Berg, not just the book he helped edit. Possibly, just for me, you could locate some books under the radar that critics keep raving about but nobody's buying because so many people only enjoy books that turn into movies? I know, I know, books aren't as hip as they used to be, people do prefer the movie anyway, so you, oh lovable library, only stock those books that are popular, but, I promise you, I would check out *Wolf Whistle* by Lewis Nordan because, amazingly, it's actually worth reading, so much so that a professor recommends it. I just don't see why people who really know how to write, even people within our own school, are ignored because they aren't on some New York Times list, and I'd greatly appreciate a change. I ask this out of love for books, for your comfortable chairs on the porches, and for your constant desire to help out the students.

Thank You,
Joel.

The Flashlight will not be printed next week due to fall break (we didn't want to do one anyway). Our triumphant return to campus will feature a Halloween "TRASHLIGHT" and lots of other great stuff. Word.



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Movie Review:

School of Rock

By TOM BEGGS

Flashlight Writer

Once again Jack Black shows his comedic and musical genius. This time in the rock and roll comedy *School of Rock*.

He plays Dewey Finn, a aspiring rock star who gets kicked out of his band. He is about to be kicked out of his brother's house if he does not make the rent by the end of the week.

To pay the rent he is going to pose as his brother, who is a substitute teacher, to get a job at Horace Green Private School.

He stays away from the normal curriculum and starts a new class project. The goal of the project is in a rock band to perform the battle of the bands he was supposed to perform in.

This movie is definitely a funny ride to get the kids to the battle of the bands. There are a few funny ways he does do get the kids into the competition.

Not only is this a funny movie, it also kind of shows what hap-

pens when a kid gets a mentor.

The acting and the performing of the kids is also spectacular. All these kids' talent makes this a real good movie. You can also tell Black is a real big kid and that he also loves working with kids.

For all the music fans out there, a lot of great music in this movie. All of the singing is actually done by Black as well, which usually is something you don't see often in movies.

This is easily Jack Black's best movie to date. Some have doubted he would still be around, but he has staying power. This is a very good, and original idea for a movie. I was a little skeptical when I went to see it.

No matter what kind of music or movies you like if you see this movie you will leave the theatre saying good things about *School of Rock*.

"I thought *School of Rock* was a pretty fun movie, but not near as funny as I thought it was going to be and as funny as the preview made it look, but over all it was enjoyable and I would see it again," Ashleigh Wedin said.

Mooooooooove on over... CowParade is coming

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

The Cow Parade is coming, and it's going to be big!

CowParade Harrisburg 2004 kicks off this month with a contest to see who can create the best design for a 90-pound, hollow fiberglass cow. Mansfield University is offering two \$500 scholarships to the students who design and paint the cow. If the same student designs and paints the cow, they will be awarded the full \$1000. The university will provide the paint for the cow.

So why is the university doing this, anyway?

Each of the fourteen State System of Higher Education schools is taking part in this contest. The finished cow from each school will be displayed for a time somewhere in the state, after which it will be returned to Harrisburg to be auctioned off for charity.

There are a few guidelines for the designs: religious, political and sexual designs will not be accepted, neither will corporate logos. University logos are acceptable, however. The artists must keep in mind that the cow will be displayed outdoors, so the coordinators of the project ask that artists "consider carefully the weather and other elements of nature." Objects may be attached to the cows, but keep in mind that vandalism may unfortunately occur, so objects should be firmly anchored.

Organizations may enter the competition as well as individual students. There are no requirements to enter. Design ideas may be submitted to Russell Cooper, Assistant Provost, in 504 North Hall, until 4 p.m. on Nov. 1.

For more information, check out CowParade Harrisburg's website at harrisburg.cowparade.net.

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OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: You make me sick

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

An open letter to the nameless, faceless people who've been attacking women on this campus:

You bastards. How dare you come onto our campus and assault our students? Do you have any idea what chaos and fear you've caused? Or was that your intent all along? Did you think it'd be fun to stir up a cozy, small-town university and watch all its students scurrying home before dark so as not to get attacked?

Whatever your intent, I hope you're pleased with yourselves.

At summer orientation I told the parents of our freshmen that I've never been afraid to walk alone on- or off-campus, day or night. I told them that this area was safe, and that bad things just didn't happen here. They believed me, and they let me put their minds to rest. Now it's their daughters that are being attacked, and I'm scared to walk to my apartment alone. You've made me a liar, and you've intimidated me into dependence upon other people. I hate you for that.

Across the United States, someone is sexually assaulted every two minutes. That means that in the time you take to read this letter, at least one person has been assaulted. One out of every six American women has been a victim of an attempted or completed rape. In the year 2002 alone, 247,730 men, women and children were sexually assaulted or raped.

But why do men (and I use the term "men" very loosely here) rape women? It's been speculated that it's a crime of power more than of passion; the man enjoys the "power high" he gets from knowing that he has control over his victim.

Is that why you do it? Does it make you feel strong?

I have news for you: Men don't rape women. A real man would never hurt a woman, and he would most certainly never force sexual contact. You, whoever you are, are not men. You're creatures, animals, cowardly bastards...but not men. You've disrupted the sense of calm that has always pervaded Mansfield University, and I hope you pay dearly for your actions.

(Statistics taken from www.rainn.org and www.aizuddindanian.com)

Letters to the Editor: Stereotypes and profiling

Dear Editor:

The article in the October 8th issue of the *The Flashlight* created a lot of reaction from students who attended the BSU meeting on October 9th. Several members voiced their concern regarding the identity of the assailant citing comments that the victim had only seen a "black hand," therefore contradicting the statement in the article by Hilary Grumbine and Sarah Stroermer, Co-Editors of the paper. How can an identity be determined by a hand.

The students are concerned that some people will have the stereotypical image of the "black male rapist" or some other xenophobic fears about black men. Also, note that not all black males are African American. One student stated that the writers appear to have

"... singled out my race based on their own assumptions. The article contradicts itself. In the beginning it says that the only statement provided was that she was grabbed from behind and it was too dark to see the face. However *The Flashlight* entails that it was automatically an African American male in his 20s. This is racial profiling. If the girl did not say those exact words it should not be published. Even if she did say that, it is not fair and it is not culturally sensitive to put the minority males in the spotlight. Many other cultures are already intimidated by us, now what was published gives them a reason to be!"

The group consensus is that writers should be sensitive in the way they present news stories and consider the social effects that may be implied in the way articles are written.

-Annie Cooper

Director, Multicultural Affairs
& International Students Services

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the members of the Black Students Union, I am writing in response to Hilary Grumbine and Sarah Stroermer's article regarding the recent assault attacks on the campus of Mansfield University. There were issues and concerns raised by the student body that had them in an uproar. At last weeks Black Students Union meeting (October 9th), the general body gave statements responding to the recent situation and this is what they had to say:

"I believe that the editors of *the Flashlight* should have never printed the article full of accusations. The victim never saw the assailant, but she did see a dark hand. By listing that the alleged assailant was an African American male, possibly in his 20's stigmatizes the entire African American male student body."

"I feel that the blacks are being targeted here at Mansfield University."

"This article is putting us in danger. We feel targeted. When an editor is about to publish an article, it is their job to make sure that their writer has conducted an accurate investigation and not to publish false information. This is considered as racial profiling."

"I feel offended by this entire accusation. It is not right to state a claim with out sufficient evidence."

"The statement describes every African American male on campus. This feeds into the stereotypes that there are about African Americans."

"It was wrong of the editor to print that article. If you do not have substantial evidence, why print a statement profiling."

"If you profile, it does not make you alert on the real issue."

See LETTER, p. 11

Dear Ms. Cooper and members of BSU,

We at The Flashlight are merely doing our duty as newspaper editors and printing the facts, as no one can be expected to catch the suspect if they are uninformed about his physical attributes. It was not personal opinion; it was information gathered from police reports and local newspapers. The *Elmira Star-Gazette* published the following in regard to the second attack: "The victim said she

was attacked from behind by a black man who may have been in his 20s," and the editors, thinking that might be construed as an offensive statement, tried their best to print the information in a politically correct way. Ms. Stroermer also made several attempts to have the story looked over by someone of another race, to no avail.

Nowhere in our Oct. 8 publication does it say that the victim saw a "black hand." That infor-

mation was published in another local newspaper; however, we thought it wouldn't be prudent to include such a potentially offensive statement in our story. We try to keep the feelings of our readers in mind at all times, and we do not feel as if we've overstepped the boundaries of cultural sensitivity in our publication.

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Politics and Opinion: What has CA done?

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

So the Terminator is now Governor-Elect of California. If I've said it once, I'll say it a thousand times, only in America. I'm not really sure whether Schwarzenegger's election will prove to be a good thing or a bad thing for the residents of California. I guess time will tell. I heard a student on campus last Thursday comment that, "it is like he woke up one day and decided, I think I'll run for governor." I like the fact that he is socially liber-

al in terms of a woman's right to choose, and minority rights, but what worries me is that he has no prior political experience.

Politics, especially California politics is a tricky and peculiar thing. Just ask Gray Davis. Now, I am sure there are a lot of people out there who think that it is not necessary to have prior experience to enter the political ring. But I tend to equate it with the field of medicine. Would you want a cardiologist or neurosurgeon performing intricate surgery without adequate experience? You

probably would not, and politics, like medicine is just as intricate.

In the last couple of decades it seems like we have been suffering a drought in terms of the great men and women needed for political office. Maybe this is because our nation's most beloved leaders were men and women of their time. I have a hard time envisioning modern leaders being able to deliver an eloquent address such as Lincoln did at Gettysburg, or leading our nation with great bravado as FDR did in World War II, with his wife

Eleanor visiting and comforting injured troops, and traveling the world as the voice of a president riddled with polio.

This is not to say that our modern leaders lack redeeming qualities. The modern leader unfortunately has to lead in the glaring view of television and the media. Do the media distort how we view our leaders? Maybe what we see through the boob-tube are not really the important substantive qualities of our leaders. Reagan, Bush, Clinton, and others have had their great and not-

so-great moments. However, when we compare our modern leaders to their predecessors, the greatness scale is tipped in favor of the latter. Arnold and the "dubya" certainly have their work cut out for them. Who knows, maybe someday another Washington, Lincoln, or FDR will come along, but I doubt they will be able to replace or replicate them. In any event, our future leaders will certainly have large shoes to fill, and it will be interesting to see who steps up to the plate.

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"I think that the article released in the *Flashlight* on the Mansfield rapist/attacker was very offensive to every African American student that attends Mansfield University. The real story is that the victim saw a dark hand of the attacker and the paper stated that the victim said that it was an African American male, possibly in his 20's. Many different races attend Mansfield University with dark hands. The second concern is the assailant listed as being possibly in his 20 has, labels all the African Americans here. In addition, how can you tell the age of a person by looking at

their hand? I would really appreciate if the staff of the *Flashlight* would print the truth. The staff of the *Flashlight* needs to be very considerate of other races or have someone of another race look over your work in case in the slightest way may offend any of the many races that attend Mansfield University."

Overall, the editors at the *Flashlight* need to be culturally aware and sensitive when writing about a controversial topic such as this.

-Shanna Davis

Secretary, Black Students Union

Guest Editorial: In defense of The Flashlight

By HEATHER OISTER
Former Flashlight Editor

My time at *The Flashlight* began my freshman year through a man by the name of William Alnor, my journalism professor at the time. He pushed for the best in his students, thinking everyone should get the experience of being a newspaper writer. It was through him I learned to love the art of writing an article. He encouraged me to continue writing for the paper after the class was over and saw a lot of potential in what others saw as a simple, small, college newspaper.

I have seen *The Flashlight* through the eyes of a writer who simply writes, submits a story and hopes to see it published. Beginning Spring 2003, upon being given the title of News Co-Editor, I got the chance to see *The Flashlight* from the viewpoint of an editor.

When I started as news co-editor, my tasks were small. I prepared the pages for Rachel (news editor at the time) and simply did the layout for one page. I enjoyed it, and therefore, was more than happy to return as this year's Features Co-Editor. The only problem was I underestimated the task and all the work and stress it involves.

Put into the simplest manner, the work of an editor is constant. All of your free time on Mondays and Tuesdays is spent in the office. During that time, you are doing a number of tasks. You lay out pages, choose which stories get printed, edit other people's work, etc. Basically, the editors

have forty hours to create a sixteen-page publication while also having to go to classes, do homework, study for exams, eat and sleep. That alone may not sound hard, but try doing it once. I can assure you that being an editor is one of the most stressful jobs that anyone can take.

After the creation of the paper is done and it is sent off, the work starts for the following week. Everyone brainstorms on what are good story ideas for the following issue, and the stories are assigned. Between their assignment and the deadline, many things can occur. From the viewpoint of a writer, I respect that sometimes the task is not an easy one. It takes time and practice to produce good writing that meets a newspaper's publishing standards. As an editor, you have to understand this and see the potential in everyone. However, it is frustrating when a promised story is not submitted or not ready to be printed.

Throw in problems with technology, writers, and advertisements with the job of creating the paper and you have one major headache. This headache only gets bigger when the paper comes back from publishing and you realize simple mistakes you let slip or hear the numerous complaints of readers.

Editors are students first, and I believe this is a fact that some people tend to forget. They are only human and doing their best to create the paper. I know that I made my fair share of mistakes.

All you can do is learn from them and move on.

I will never regret my time at *The Flashlight*. In fact, I know I will miss it. It was one of my greatest learning experiences. Although the classroom is a great place, some of life's greatest lessons happen outside of it. I have seen *The Flashlight* from the viewpoint of a writer and an editor.

In both, I have learned a lot and come to have a great appreciation for what the editorial board goes through. It is very demanding and takes a lot of time and patience. I have a great deal of respect for each one of them, and it is my hope that the *Flashlight's* readers would also have this feeling of respect.

Next time you pick up an issue and flip through it, think of the editors and all the hard work they have put into those sixteen pages. You may never fully understand all the work and struggle that went into those pages, but appreciate those who put the effort into the task. They have a large amount of passion for what they do and that issue means a lot to them.

Another viewpoint I got to see is the future that Mr. Alnor spoke about before he left the university. I believe that he would be proud of the newspaper today. Mansfield University has one of the best papers in the state school system. The paper has a great staff and it can only get better.

Best of wishes to all the editors and writers. Keep up the good work and never give up.

Study Abroad Information Session

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Hot Topic of the Week: Homecoming'03

Picture this!

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

And the Mounties defeat the golden Bears, 45-24.

Homecoming 2003 started off a bit cold with clouds and sprinkles. The annual Homecoming parade kicked off the celebration. It was the perfect way to start game day. It was obvious that "bear hunting" was on the minds of the students, faculty and of course, the football team. Karl Van Norman Field saw a record crowd of over 5300 fans.

They sure came for what they wanted - to capture the Kutztown Golden Bears. What a spectacular moment for Mansfield football on Homecoming! All through high school and up until this year, my Homecoming experiences have never been quite like this. Within the first half of the game, Ernest McNeal became the third Mountaineer to rush over 1000 yards. (He has 1118 total yards.) Travis Motley and Joe Bennett also had incredible games as usual. Motley threw for 212 yards with three touchdown passes. Bennett aided in Motley's efforts catching two touchdown passes.

Dan Holland must not be forgotten. Dan is a true All-American athlete. In this game against Kutztown, he had a total of 19 tackles. He broke the school record for solo tackles at 274. With five games left on the Mounties' schedule, Dan can be the all-time leader for tackles. I am going to miss Dan's performance on the field when he graduates. I'm sure the rest of Mansfield feels the same.

Another player who has caught my eye is not on defense or offense but the Mounties' special teams. Freshman James Painter is making a name for himself as a true freshman. Painter had three assists and one solo tackle for the Mounties. Next season, Painter will be even more experienced as he rips away at the competition. Keep up the good work "Jim Jim"!

Mountie football has come a long way, and they should be very proud of themselves. They haven't had the greatest support from the fans in the past, but time and dedication changed all of that for the Mounties. Now and forever the students and faculty of Mansfield will stand behind their football team because after all, good things come to those who wait. Keep up the good work, Mounties! Let's go 7-0!

Cheers all around!

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

This year's homecoming was one for the ages...well maybe not the ages, but it definitely was among the best in many years.

The day kicked off with the annual homecoming parade, which was quite enjoyable as many people from the town and university participated. The little kids enjoyed the candy that was thrown from the floats. After the parade it was time to take part in the big event, the game between the Golden Bears of Kutztown and the Mounties.

The day was picture perfect for football. As game time approached, I was amazed by the line of people waiting for tickets. The stands were filled to capacity and even the hills above the stands were jam packed with fans awaiting the 1 p.m. kickoff.

The energy in the stands was intense from the very beginning. Every play and every down had fans cheering, especially on the first series of plays when Mansfield's Daricus Haynes intercepted a Kutztown pass in the end zone and almost took it to the house. That play set the pace for the game and for the Mounties. Within minutes Earnest McNeal ran across the goal line for the Mounties first score of the game.

By the end of the first half the Mounties were ahead 24-3 to the delight of the Mansfield faithful. At halftime, I ventured up to Myers Field to announce the soccer game, as the Mansfield women's soccer team was preparing to host Clarion University. As game time approached for the soccer team you could hear the cheers coming from Van Norman Field.

As the soccer game started, fans began filing into the stands to support the soccer team, within 20 minutes cheers were being heard at Myers Field as Erica Madden scored the first goal of the game to give the Mounties the lead. The cheers would continue as Jamie Heller added two goals to secure a 3-0 shutout over Clarion.

Homecoming 2003 was a complete success as cheers and applause were heard throughout the Mountains.

This Week in Sports: Bo-Sox Mayhem!

By JAMES SHAPPELL
Flashlight Sports Writer

The American League Championship Series had an old-time feel added to it this past week, when Pedro Martinez decided to hit Yankees right-fielder Karim Garcia after Garcia had an RBI single in his previous at bat against Martinez.

Both teams started talking, and before beginning the next inning, were warned by the umpires to stop the back and forth verbal battle.

Manny Ramirez came to the plate that inning and Roger Clemens threw a fastball high, and on the inside part of the plate. Ramirez took exception to the pitch, and started toward the mound, much like an old-time brawl. The ensuing confrontation started off as a session of minor shoving and a lot of yelling. Things turned ugly as Yankees Bench Coach Don Zimmer found his way through the

pack to find Martinez.

Zimmer then went forward and charged Martinez. The 31 year-old Martinez then grabbed the 72 year-old Zimmer by the head and tossed him down to the ground. As the Yankees huddled around their coach, and the Red Sox individual attitudes and mouths continued to be individual, I relaxed a little, because it was then that I knew the Yankees would return to the World Series once again.

Boston fans have been waiting a long time for a championship to return to Bean-Town, and they will be waiting a few more years. Ramirez, Martinez and Nomar Garciaparra are not team players, and so will never learn how to win a championship. Meanwhile, Derek Jeter, Andy Pettitte and company came together and now have even more motivation to defeat the self-centered Red Sox.

The reason I had to pick on the Red Sox isn't simply because they are the nemesis of my favorite team, the Yankees, but also because they disrespect their opponents and the game. If you need specific examples, I'm more than ready to share with you.

First, let's talk about Martinez spitting on the name of Babe Ruth. It was less than a year ago that he said he didn't care about the curse and someone should wake up the Bambino so he can, "hit him in the butt." If Martinez respected the past, he might be able to look at the future, since the Red Sox haven't won a championship since "The Babe" left Boston.

Second, Ramirez should learn to act like he's hit a homerun before. I know the ball dangling high in the air and floating into the night is a beautiful sight, but to stand there at home plate and watch it is an insult to the opponent and oppos-

ing pitcher. In the classic days of baseball, that would have warranted a pitcher hitting the batter. I hate when other superstars like Barry Bonds do the same thing.

Not so long ago, Paul O'Neill was playing for the Yankees. He would hit a ball that was clearly headed over the fence, put his head down, drop his bat and run around the bases. He had hit homeruns before. He knew he would hit them again. There was no reason for him to stand and admire an occurrence that he knew was very common.

Third, is that they simply don't understand the concept of team. A few years ago, Garciaparra and Martinez were both hurt and on the disabled list. They were activated around the All-Star break, but didn't return until after that. However, they were both somehow healthy enough to play in the All-Star game itself. The only person

that I feel bad for on that team is David Ortiz, who has had a huge season and continued it into the playoffs.

In the end, the Yankees will win because they are a team and play like that. Many people claim the Yankees "buy" their teams. Well, to that, I ask, how many of their players have come from their own farm system? Think about that. Shouldn't they be allowed to retain their own players? And, if they have the extra money, why shouldn't they be allowed to spend it?

Boston fans will complain about how the Yankees cheated in some way or another, the Yankees will go to the World Series and probably lose to the surging Cubs and then in a year, we'll do the whole thing over again. As for now, be ready for lots more talking from the Red Sox, lots more playing from the Yankees and a Cubs versus Yankees World Series.

Any questions, comments or concerns?? Please contact
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Picks of the Week

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Packers @ Rams	Packers	Rams	Packers	Packers	Rams
Patriots @ Dolphins	Dolphins	Dolphins	Dolphins	Patriots	Dolphins
Broncos @ Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Broncos	Vikings
Eagles @ Giants	Eagles	Eagles	Giants	Eagles	Eagles
Saints @ Falcons	Saints	Saints	Falcons	Falcons	Saints
Titans @ Panthers	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans
Jets @ Texans	Jets	Jets	Jets	Texans	Jets
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Bucs @ 49ers	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs	49ers	Bucs
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This Week in Mountie Sports

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Cross Country				Rochester Away			
Field Hockey		East Stroudsburg Away		IUP Noon	Longwood Noon		
Football				East Stroudsburg 1 p.m.			
Soccer						Bloomfield 3 p.m.	

Soccer shuts out Clarion on homecoming weekend

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineer soccer team has figured out what it takes to win in the PSAC - hard work and focus.

The Mounties recorded their third shutout of the season on Oct. 11 defeating Clarion University, 3-0. Saturday's game was the Mounties' first homecoming weekend.

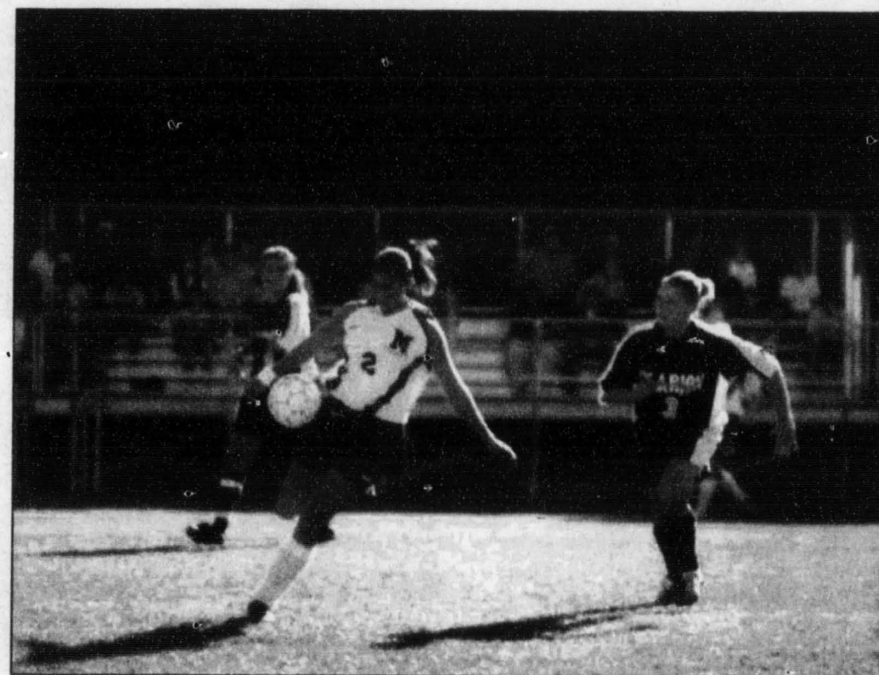
"Getting the win over Clarion put an exclamation mark on a great weekend," head coach Tim Dempsey said.

Both defenses played tough in the first half with the Mounties scoring the only goal in the half. Sophomore Erica Madden scored her first goal of the season 36 minutes into the game.

In the second half, sophomore Jamie Heller scored her first two goals of the season for the Mounties to increase their lead to 3-0. Heller scored her first goal five minutes into the second half. Her second goal of the game came 17 minutes into the second half.

"To have Jamie Heller finally score a couple of goals was a very welcome sight," Dempsey said. "We have struggled all year to score."

Freshman goalkeeper Nicole



JENNIFER GLENNY/THE FLASHLIGHT

Mansfield's Val Shaw kicks the ball up field in the Mounties' 3-0 shutout win over the Golden Eagles of Clarion on Oct. 11.

Rodweller played the entire first half and saved six shots for the Mounties. Sophomore Julie Miller finished the game for the Mounties.

The Mounties' victory improves their overall record to 3-7-2 and 2-6 in the PSAC. Clarion falls to 3-8 overall and 0-5 in PSAC competition.

On Oct. 8, the Mountaineers tied the Daemen College Wildcats in double overtime, 1-1. Dempsey thought his team could have pulled another win out against the Wildcats.

"I was upset with the tie because we were the better team," Dempsey said. "We scored six to seven minutes into the game and then hit the crossbar twice in the first half, carrying almost all of the play in the first half. However, our intensity level dropped off in the second half and our speed of play slowed down, which allowed them back into the game. So although we tied, I thought we let a great opportunity for another win get away from us."

Sophomore midfielder Nicole Nycz scored the first goal of the game for the Mounties only seven minutes into the first half.

For the rest of the first half, both teams were held scoreless. Six minutes into the second half, the Wildcats tied the game on a Lynsey Miller goal. At the end of regulation, the game was 1-1. Miller saved the game for the Mounties late in double overtime with a diving save.

"If Julie Miller did not stop a point blank break away with one minute left in the second overtime, it would have been a 2-1 loss," Dempsey said.

Before their win against Clarion, the Mounties were 2-7-2 overall and 1-6 in the PSAC.

"As for the rest of the season, we have five games left," Dempsey said. "All of the conference games are against quality opponents. I told the players after Saturday's game that my goal for the final five games is the same as when we started the season, out work the team for a full 90 minutes. If we do those things each and every game, we will give ourselves a chance to win and we will continue to build confidence."

The Mountaineers will play at 4 p.m. on Oct. 14 against the Warriors at East Stroudsburg University.

Mansfield inducts four more into hall of fame

By TOM BEGGS

Flashlight Sports Writer

One of the biggest events of homecoming at Mansfield is the Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

This year's inductees are Robert Turano, Cathleen White Kirkpatrick, Greg Robertson and Tom Elsasser.

Cathleen White Kirkpatrick started for the field hockey team from 1990-93. She is the first field hockey player to be inducted to the Hall of Fame and is considered the best goalie in school history.

She holds every school game, season and career goal keeper record. Kirkpatrick holds the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) for saves in a game (45 in 1992) and career saves with 826. She was also the first Mountie field hockey player to earn All-PSAC honors.

In 1993 she set a school record with 263 saves while just allowing 18 goals. She also set a new school mark with five shutouts, which gave her All-PSAC honorable mention.

Greg Robertson started four years for Mansfield baseball. When his career ended he was the top hitter in Mountie and PSAC history. He still holds school records in games played (205), at-bats (737), runs (207), hits (284), homeruns (43), and runs batted in (190). Also he is second in doubles (58) and third in triples (12).

He batted .421 during his senior year for his highest batting average for a single season. His overall



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President Halstead and the Hall of Fame inductees at the 2003 homecoming game on Oct. 11.

career average was .372, he never batted lower than .358 during a season.

From 1983-95 Tom Elsasser was head football coach here at Mansfield. He has the longest tenure and the most wins (48) than any other coach in Mountaineer history.

In 1987 his team made it to number 20 in the nation. This was the only team to make it to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) division Top 20 weekly poll.

Years later Elsasser still remembers his time about Mansfield.

"All the games we won and all the players who became good citi-

zens and family people," Elsasser said.

Robert Turano started for the Mountie baseball team from 1982-84. He posted a 10-7 overall record with 82 strikeouts. In 1984, he got drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in the seventh round.

Turano was also a player on the basketball team while here at Mansfield. He played the 1981-82 and 82-83 seasons. He scored 188 points and had 166 assists.

"It is a honor and I am excited, especially knowing the tradition of Mansfield Sports," Turano said. "Its great being recognized by the top organized program with great athletes."

WNTN's *The Giant* echoes Mountie sports around campus and community

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

If you've happened to turn on your radio any time over the past six Saturday afternoons, you've probably noticed that WNTN has been broadcasting Mountaineer football games over the air.

Every game so far this season - even the away games - has been on the air, all courtesy of Chad Landers, WNTN Sports Director, and his team of sports deejays: Ted Minner, Shane Wilber, Jonathan Schwab, Kylee Witmer, Tom Beggs and Josh Warner.

The broadcasts start in time for a pregame show, in which the sports team gives a rundown of each team's strengths and best players. At halftime, they announce statistics and scores from across the state, and have interviews with visitors in the press box. In the past, they've interviewed Dan Holland, Travis Motley, Josh Palmer and even President Halstead. The WNTN team is currently looking for a business or other organization to sponsor their halftime show.

The team plans to broadcast

the rest of this season's football games, as well as home field hockey games, and then move to basketball and swimming for the winter months, and softball and baseball in the spring.

"Our goal as a staff is to have every Mansfield University sporting event broadcasted to the campus," Landers said.

Landers is always looking for more enthusiastic, dedicated volunteers to become a part of this dynamic sports team. The only requirement is membership in WNTN; this is so Landers is sure each member is certified to run the sound equipment. To find out more, contact him at x6900.

Meanwhile, the sports team will continue to boldly go where no sports team has gone before, and finish the football season with a perfect record of broadcasted games. It's a lot of work, but Landers and his staff aren't complaining.

"Where else can you talk about sports, and people have to listen to what you have to say? There's no better job at WNTN, in my opinion," Landers said.

Mansfield Swim team opens up '03 season against Cal' U.

By JAIME ZUBLICK

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's swim team has their first meet of the 2003-2004 season on Oct. 18.

Though it is rare for Mansfield's swim team to start their season with a dual meet, both Coach Danita Fox and team Co-Captain Katie Houck have high expectations for the meet.

"The dual meets aren't really something we focus on, but we still want to win," Fox said. "I do

think that we have a good shot at beating Penn State of Altoona as well as outperforming California University."

With the Mansfield roster of 15 strong, the Mounties have a slight advantage over California University, with eight swimmers, and Penn State of Altoona, with ten swimmers.

"I'm really excited about the size of the team, having 15 girls compared to eight before is a huge help because the more numbers

we have then it doesn't matter about just first place, its about all the places," Houck said. "The amount of effort everyone is putting out at practice looks great, and everyone gets along really well which is something we've been working on as a team. The team meshes really well, it seems we have enough people in events and I'm looking forward to a really good season with everybody."

On Oct. 25, Mansfield hosts the Mansfield Relays. Normally

this meet opens the Mansfield swimming season.

"[This meet] is for us, as well as other teams that come in, to find out what our freshman in particular are capable of doing in an environment that doesn't have a pressure feel since they're all relays, so it's a really good introduction for the freshman," Fox said.

This season's roster for the Mounties consists of five freshmen, six sophomores, two juniors

and two seniors. Coach Fox feels that even though a majority of the teams is younger, it won't have an effect on the overall performance.

"Speed-wise being a freshman over being a senior in the sport of swimming doesn't have a lot of importance to it, actually I expect my freshman to have a pretty good impact, help fill some relays and break some school records," Fox said.

Field hockey drops two against the Eagles and Shippensburg University

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield University field hockey team approached the rematch part of schedule.

Up first were the Eagles of Lock Haven. Earlier in the season, the Mounties fell to the Eagles, 10-0 at Lock Haven.

The Eagles were the first to score in the rematch as Nikki Sweger scored off an assist from Courtney Hughes 15 minutes into the game.

Sweger's goal was the only goal scored in the first half as Lock Haven had the upper hand entering the second half.

During the second half of play Sweger an unassisted goal which hit off the goal post to give Lock Haven a 2-0 lead.

Minutes later, Sweger scored her third goal of the game as Lock Haven went on to beat Mansfield 3-0. The Mounties' senior goalie Heather Long

recorded 24 saves.

On Oct. 11, the Mounties traveled south to face the Raiders of Shippensburg.

Mansfield started off explosive as junior Amy Laubach scored the game's first goal with in the first five minutes of play. However, the Raiders would respond as Kelly Stewart scored the Raiders first goal to tie the game with 28 minutes remaining in the first half.

The Raiders would tack on another three goals in the first half to take a 4-1 halftime lead.

Shippensburg added three more goals as they went on to defeat the Mounties for the second time this season, 7-1.

With the loss, the Mounties fall to 3-11 overall and 3-9 in the PSAC. Mansfield's next game is 4 p.m. tomorrow against the Warriors of East Stroudsburg University.

On the Sidelines: Erin Drum

By MIKE PETERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's soccer team is a growing program.

In their second season as a team and first in the PSAC division, the squad has felt its share of bumps and bruises. With such a young pool of talent, the Mounties are sure to be a threat to PSAC teams in the upcoming seasons. Gaining the experience these women need is the first step to improvement.

Erin Drum is one of seven freshmen on the team. As of Oct. 11, she is sharing the team lead in goals and leading the team in points. Drum is a bright spot in the new class of players this season. She will continue to shine on the field for seasons to come.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Erin Drum: I am a freshman, nursing major.

MP: What made you choose nursing?

ED: Both of my parents work in medicine, and I like the money involved in medicine. I plan on continuing my education, and going to anesthesia school to become a licensed nurse anesthetist.

MP: What made you choose

to attend Mansfield University?

ED: I decided to attend Mansfield because of its location and size.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides soccer?

ED: Other than soccer, I would have to choose football.

MP: When did you start to play soccer?

ED: I have been playing soccer since I was five years old.

MP: What position do you play?

ED: I am a forward.

MP: Why did you choose to play forward?

ED: I did not choose to be a forward. With my speed and size, the position came naturally to me.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

ED: Throughout middle and high school, I ran track, played volleyball and was a cheerleader.

MP: Have you won any awards?

ED: I was on the East Mountain First Team All-Star Team in my junior and senior year of high school.

MP: Do you think there should be a men's soccer team?

ED: Yes, I honestly do.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the team?

ED: My favorite part about being on the team is the amazing friendships that I have made with a few of the girls.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

ED: My heart, my determination and my teammates keep me going strong.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

ED: No, not as a team, but I am a pacer. I constantly pace and cannot sit down.

MP: What have you learned



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Erin Drum shares the team lead in goals scored this season.

from playing soccer that you will carry on with you in your future?

ED: Attitude and personality. With the right attitude and personality, you will be able to succeed, and make your dreams come as true as possible.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

ED: In ten years, I will be a nurse somewhere, a mother, a wife, and a coach.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

ED: "We can choose to throw stones, to stumble on them, to climb over them, or to build with them," and "Do what you want but know what you're doing."

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

ED: Statistically, we are not showing much. However, looking from the beginning of the season up until now, I feel that we have improved so much chemically, both on and off the field. At times, we have not played to our ability and potential. For the days that we lack the intensity, there were days that made up for it. I just wish that our record could reflect the one that is in my heart.

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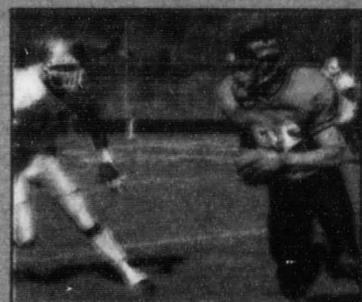
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Mounties go bear hunting, 45-24

Mansfield defeats Kutztown for the first time since 1993

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team made their Homecoming Day a successful one, as they demolished the Kutztown Golden Bears, 45-24.

The Mounties improved to 6-0 overall and 2-0 in the PSAC East with the win on Oct. 11 at Karl Van Norman Field. They also clinched their first winning season since the 1975 campaign.

Head Coach Chris Woods was happy to get the win on Homecoming Day, especially for the seniors.

"I'm just so happy for our seniors who have stuck it out," Woods said. "I remember three, four years ago, coming off the field against this same team, and the future wasn't so bright at that point. It was a tough sell keeping these guys around. They just stayed the course and had faith - I couldn't be more proud of them."

Earnest McNeal added to his

"I'm just so happy for our seniors who have stuck it out," Woods said. "I remember three, four years ago, coming off the field against this same team, and the future wasn't so bright at that point. It was a tough sell keeping these guys around. They just stayed the course and had faith - I couldn't be more proud of them."

-Coach Chris Woods

Division II leading total of rushing yards, as he carried the ball 33 times for 172 yards and three touchdowns. He also added a touchdown on a 16-yard reception from Travis Motley. Motley was 12 of 19 for 212 yards and three touchdowns. Joe Bennett caught Motley's other two touchdown passes and had a total of five catches for 125 yards.

Dan Holland led the defense with 19 tackles, leaving him just four tackles short of the Mounties' career record for tackles. The senior linebacker also added a sack

and a blocked punt. Daricus Haynes added eight tackles and an interception.

Haynes's interception came on the opening possession of the game. Kutztown had advanced the ball to the Mounties' five-yard line when Haynes picked off a pass by Kutztown's quarterback Jeremy Copeland. Haynes returned the ball 82 yards down to the Golden Bear's 18-yard line. Four McNeal runs later, the last being a five-yard jaunt, Mansfield held a 7-0 lead.

Holland credited Haynes's interception as being a big moment in the game. "It was a big play for us," Holland said. "It was a big momentum boost for the defense and a big momentum boost for the whole team."

After the Mansfield defense shut down Kutztown again, the Mountaineers drove the ball into the red zone before settling for three points. The 34-yard field goal by Sean Hair was Mansfield's first field goal of the season.

On the first play of the second quarter, Holland blocked a Kutztown punt, giving the Mounties possession at the Golden Bear's 26-yard line. Mansfield quickly capitalized, as Motley found McNeal on a screen pass and McNeal did the rest, for a 16-yard score



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Earnest McNeal lunges into the endzone as he added to his Division II rushing yards with 172 yards and three touchdowns.

and a 17-0 advantage.

Kutztown's next drive would also be the last for their starting quarterback, Copeland. At the end of a nine-yard scramble, Copeland received a vicious punishment from linebacker Robert Smiley. Copeland was helped off the field and would not return.

The Mounties extended their lead on their next possession. McNeal capped a ten play, 62-yard drive with an 11-yard gallop into the end zone to make the score 24-0. Kutztown's Matt Scartozzi booted a 43-yard field goal late in the quarter to cut the lead to 24-3 at halftime.

The Mounties extended the lead to 31-3 midway through the third quarter on a ten-yard connection between Motley and Bennett. The touchdown reception was Bennett's 10th of the season, setting a new Mansfield single season record. The Golden Bears trimmed the deficit back to 21 when backup quarterback Gabe

Maiocco found Trevor Smith on fourth down for a 31-yard touchdown to make the score 31-10.

Mansfield put the game out of reach late in the third quarter. McNeal rumbled in from three yards out to re-establish the 28 point lead for the Mountaineers.

On the first play of Kutztown's next drive, defensive lineman Drew Grieshaber recovered a Golden Bear fumble. Three plays later, Motley found Bennett for the second time in the quarter, for a 42-yard hookup, to give the Mountaineers their biggest lead of the day at 45-10.

The Golden Bears could not hold back the Mounties as they defeated Kutztown for the first time since 1993, when the Mountaineers topped the Golden Bears, 24-21.

Mansfield looks to improve to 7-0 when they hit the road again to face the East Stroudsburg Warriors at 1 p.m. on Oct. 18 at East Stroudsburg.



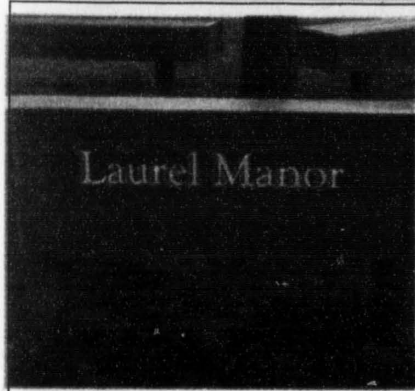
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Mansfield's Joe Frick (40) had 4 tackles and Daricus Haynes (4) had an interception and eight tackles in the Mounties' 45-24 win over Kutztown on Oct. 11.



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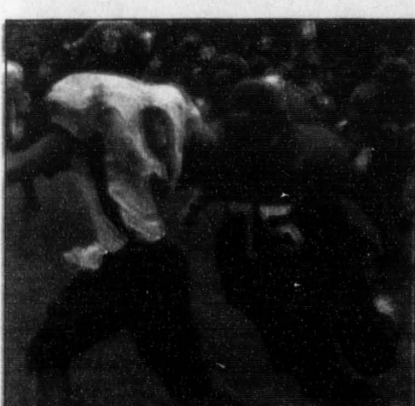
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Mansfield students receive fellowship

By ERICA HUDOCK

Flashlight Writer

Student activities may sometimes seem to take an enormous amount of time, but strongly promote involvement and present a great variety of benefits and opportunities.

Recently, because of their contributions, students Jeanette Esteves and Akirah Bradley, were asked to become part of the Minority Undergraduate Fellows Program. Esteves, President of the Latin American Student Organization, and Bradley, President of the Black Student Union, completed a process of application and were accepted to serve as "fellows" to the group.

This national program is affiliated with the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), an organization that encourages the involvement of minority groups in student affairs. As members of MUFP, Esteves and Bradley will be working with this goal at Mansfield University by leading campus activities to educate and encourage minority involve-

ment in student affairs. MUFP applies not only to Latin Americans and African-Americans, but to other ethnic backgrounds, and to those who are gay/bisexual or disabled.

"The campus lacks diversity when dealing with race and sexuality," Esteves said, "What I can learn, I can bring back to the campus to help diversify the students. I want to see how different yet similar all the schools are."

To achieve this standard, "fellows" must be "a representative to the students in a positive and professional manner," said Bradley. One way this can be noted is through a journal of events and insights that is to be kept. In addition to personal records, the representatives must attend meetings of other organizations such as the Student Government Association, the Committee on Finance, and the Women's Committee. For students campus-wide, Esteves and Bradley will head the Martin Luther King Celebration in the spring and coordinate the Dialogue in Diversity Board. This council will be com-

prised of 6-7 people of various minorities that talk about and deal with racial and ethnic problems.

"These select students will also get together and discuss on-campus issues like residence life and what it is like," Bradley said.

MUFP was brought to MU for the first time this year by regional coordinator and vice president of student affairs, Shari Clarke. Her goals are not only to get underrepresented students involved in student affairs, but to "expose students to professions within student affairs and to consider graduate programs within this arena," Clarke said,

"Students involved received a great deal of satisfaction. That's why I wanted to bring it to Mansfield." Other schools within the region that have representatives in MUFP include Arcadia, Millersville, Susquehanna, and Syracuse Universities.

Because MUFP is a national program with a goal in expanding diversity and promoting student involvement, Clarke feels that it is a great way for "fellows to acquire leadership. I'm passionate about it. It's going to be phenomenal for the institution and fellows."



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Esteves, Vice President of Student Affairs, Shari Clarke and Bradley.

Walk a friend program launched last weekend

By KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

Students seeking escorts for safety reasons can now turn to the Walk-a-Friend Program for assistance.

If an escort is needed, a student may call campus police. The police will then send escorts to the student in need.

Escorts provided by the Walk-a-Friend program are chosen through an application process. The escorts must then receive background checks by the campus police station. Men and Women are both eligible to be escorts for the program. When students call for an escort, a male and a female are sent to accompany them.

The student escorts will be stationed in the HUB, and will be equipped with walkie-talkies. When called, the police will con-

tact these students and send them to location where they are needed.

The Walk-a-Friend program was initiated decades ago, and was originally run by the social Greek organizations. However, the program was stopped due to lack of student interest. As a result of the recent attacks on campus, the program is being tested once again.

Director of Student Organizations, Leadership, and Greek Life, Jody Hare; Advocacy Director, Elizabeth Shaffer; and Chief of Campus Police, Christeen Shegan, all have roles in the development of this program. Hare is in charge of maintaining Walk-a-Friend's web-site, and reviewing applications. Shegan is in charge of doing all background checks, and Shaffer handles interviews and

pairing of escorts.

The social Greek organizations of Mansfield University are still involved with the Walk-a-Friend program; however, the program is open to all interested students. Students who apply are asked to be available at least three hours per week, and must receive a background check from campus police.

"Background checks are really a necessity when dealing with a sensitive issue such as assault," Hare said.

Those interested in applying to be an escort for the Walk-a-Friend program may visit the link for campus organizations. It can be found on the current students portion of the Mansfield University web-site.



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The Walk A Friend headquarters in AHUB.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

★ The Political Science Club will be hosting a **Student/Faculty Panel Discussion** in the A-HUB multi-conference room from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Monday, November 10. The topic of discussion will be bias in the media.

★ **MU Dramatics is hosting "The Curse of Straughn Auditorium: A Very Haunted House"** tomorrow from 10:30 p.m. until midnight, and Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. until midnight. MUD asks that students bring a non-perishable food item for the Tioga County Food Bank for admission.

★ **The Walk-A-Friend program** is now up and running! Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 5 p.m. to midnight, and Thursday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Volunteers are still needed. To get an escort, call Campus Police at x4900. Look for students with "Safety Patrol" jackets and ID.

★ **NAEA is sponsoring an Art Lock** Nov. 1 to Nov. 2 in Allen Hall. It is open to anyone in a studio art class. Admission is \$4. Soda is provided, but bring snacks to share. It is sponsored by CCSI and Student Activities Fees.

POLICE BEAT

October 20, 2003 - **Theft**- A Hewlett Packard laptop computer was taken from the Maple residence hall sometime between 11:45 and 12:30. The computer was valued at \$1,355.

October 21, 2003 - **Theft**- Several DVD's and three VHS tapes from were taken from a Cedarcrest room sometime over Fall Break. The approximate value of the DVD's and VHS tapes are \$500.

October 24, 2003 - **Underage consumption**- Daniel Favuzzi, 19 was cited and judicially referred by university police for underage consumption.

October 24, 2003 - **Theft**- Two persons reported their vehicles were broken into while parked in the East parking lot during the Three Doors Down concert.

October 25, 2003 - **Possession**- Four Mansfield University students admitted using marijuana outside of Cedarcrest residence hall. The matter was referred to Residence Life.

If you have any information regarding these cases, please contact University Police at 662-4900.

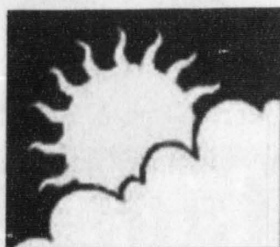
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66° and a low of 47°.

Sunday- Cloudy, high of 62° and a low of 42°.

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Clothesline project started on campus

By **HEATHER OISTER**

Flashlight Writer

The Theta Chapter of Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity is looking for individuals to submit decorated shirts for the Clothesline Project on Nov. 1 to bring attention to the issue of violence against women.

The Clothesline Project is designed to be a way for women who have been affected by violence to testify their feelings to others through a decorated shirt. The shirt is then hung for others to view and realize the severity of the problem.

Donation boxes will be placed around campus for people to place shirts inside. Those participating are encouraged to use their creativity to decorate their shirt. However, it is recommended that puffy paint is not used to prevent ruining the

shirt by having it stick to another shirt.

According to Phi Sigma Pi and The Clothesline Project, certain colors symbolize various things. White is the loss of life due to violence, yellow or beige is for battery and assault victims. Red, pink or orange stands for rape and sexual assault. Blue or green shirts symbolize incest and child abuse survivors. Purple or lavender is used for women who have been attacked for their sexual orientation.

Once the project is over, the decorated shirts will either be saved for future use or sent to the national organization. Extra clothing will be donated to the local women's shelter.

The project will occur following the football game on Nov. 1 in South Hall Mall. The shirts will be

hung on a clothesline, and there will be a speaker on the subject of violence against women.

The Clothesline Project started in 1990 in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. For more information, go to www.clotheslineproject.org.

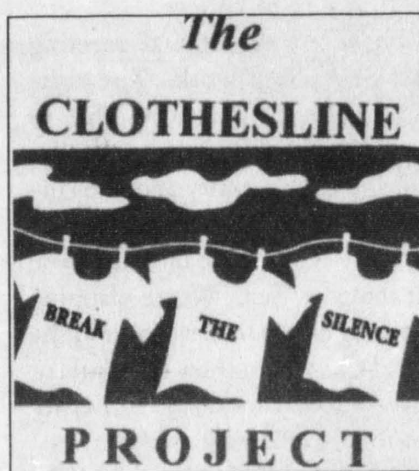


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LASO goes to Allentown for coalition

By **JEANNETTE ESTEVES**

Flashlight Writer

The Latin American Students Organization attended the Pennsylvania Statewide Latino Coalition to help bring Hispanic awareness to Mansfield University.

A variety of workshops, guest speakers, and youth dances occupied members and non-members of the PSLC conference on October 23-25 in Allentown, PA.

The PSLC conference is a non-profit, non-partisan alliance of Latino leaders. Its primary purpose is to analyze issues of Latino communities throughout the Commonwealth and develop strategies for advocating a Latino perspective.

During one of the luncheons, keynote speaker Congressman Robert Menendez spoke of the

issues that Hispanics deal with within their communities and schools.

Issues like health care, economic disparity, education, voting rights, and cultural sensitivity were some of the high points of his speech. Menendez not only listed issues but also suggested ways to solve them and how the Latinos as a community can go about solving such issues. Stressing how something can be done with unification of communities to become one voice to take action, and protect human and civil rights.

Menendez also discussed ways to inspire young Hispanics to stay in school and set goals to get the best education they can achieve.

Other keynote speakers that were honored at the conference were Pedro A. Cortes, Secretary of the

Commonwealth, and Benjamin Ramos Jr., Conference Co-chair.

Throughout the conference other activities took place. For example, workshops that helped with networking, political empowerment seminars, improving cultural and linguistic competence, as well as historic tours, an amusement park, and the art mixer at the Allentown Art Museum.

On site, there were Galas and youth dances with famous Latin singers Andy Montanez and Domingo Quinones along with a performance and dance lessons from the organization Hispanic American League of Artist.



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Congratulations to the
following *Flashlight* writers for being awarded
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NEWS:

Brett Carpenter- "SGA Update: Blue Lights"

FEATURES:

Emilee Danielson- "Staying Safe on campus, common sense is a student's best defense"

SPORTS:

Jonathan Schwab- "Mounties go bear hunting, 45-24, Mansfield defeats Keitztown for the first time since 1993"

What in the world

By **CHRISTOPHER SHADLE**

Flashlight Writer

World News:

IRAQ- Iraqi insurgents unleashed an attack at the heart of the U.S. occupation on Sunday killing an American colonel and wounding 15 others. A barrage of rockets was launched against the Al Rasheed hotel where U. S. officials live and where U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz was staying. U.S. officials have stated their doubt over reports that the Secretary was the target of the attacks.

ONTARIO, CANADA- A Canadian judge ordered the release of a U.S. citizen who survived a plunge over Niagara Falls and ordered him to stay out of Canada except for future court appearances. Kirk Jones, who is from Canton, Michigan, is the only person known to have survived a plunge over the falls without a safety device. Jones had stated earlier that despair and depression led him to plunge over the falls and is now grateful for his life, "I'm feeling very happy to be alive. I ask no one to ever try such a stunt again."

LONDON- A British couple have been forced to move out of their house because of shame caused by the name of the street they reside on - Butt Hole Road. According to Reuters, Paul and Lisa Allott sold their \$250,000 home in Conisbrough, in northern England because taxis and pizza delivery men would refuse to turn up thinking it was a joke, and because they grew tired of pranks from kids flashing their rear ends by the street sign.

National News:

NEW YORK- Former U.S. President Bill Clinton recently brokered a deal in which four foreign drug companies that produce generic AIDS drugs, have agreed to

reduce the costs of the drugs for the millions of people suffering from the ravaging disease in developing countries. The companies, located in India and South Africa, say they will provide medication to several nations in Africa and the Caribbean at less than a third of the average cost of the patented versions. AIDS organizations have hailed the deal, and Clinton has said that treatment could begin in places, which up until now had no hope.



WASHINGTON D.C.- Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia ridiculed the high court's recent ruling legalizing gay sex. At a speech in front of a conservative audience, Justice Scalia said that the ruling ignores the Constitution in favor "of a modern, liberal sensibility." Adopting a mocking tone, Scalia wrote a bitter dissenting opinion, and said that his colleagues on the Supreme Court "throw over the original meaning of the Constitution when it suits them."

WASHINGTON D.C.- On Saturday, anti-war protesters rallied, delivering a scathing critique of President Bush and his Iraq policy. Demanding an end to the U.S. led occupation, and the quick return home of American troops, the protesters chanted, "Impeach Bush!" outside the Washington Monument. Upwards of 40,000 people attended the event in which speeches and songs of peace were heard across the mall.

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Student Governors coming to Mansfield

By EMILEE DANIELSON
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University will be welcoming students from the 14 state universities as part of the annual meeting of the Board of Student Government Presidents of Pennsylvania on Nov. 21-23, 2003.

At this year's annual meeting, over 100 students, each of them a member of their respective schools governing organizations, will come to Mansfield for three days to discuss issues that are important to all of the schools. The president of the governing body of each school, along with its senators, will attend workshops on a variety of topics to gain knowledge and insight on different issues to return to their schools with.

Mansfield, which previously hosted the annual meeting in 1999, was selected over East Stroudsburg and Kutztown to play host to this year's meeting at the BSGP meeting in Harrisburg at the beginning of the semester.

Mansfield University President John Halstead has stressed what an honor it is for Mansfield to host this event again.

"The development of student leadership, encouraging the voices of students, and respect shared for governance are three of the most esteemed values at Mansfield University," Halstead stated in a press release, "Therefore, it is only right and proper that we are once again hosting the Board of Student Government Presidents on our campus this November."

President Halstead and the Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Shari Clarke will host a welcome reception for the students Friday, Nov. 1 after their arrival. On Saturday, the students will start their morning off early with several workshops and a business meeting to discuss this year's issue, a student's first year experience at college.

Each school will be able to bring something to the table to

help the other schools deal with this particular issue. Mansfield University BSGP representatives will be able to offer the University's UNV 100 class experience as our schools experiment in helping first year students adjust to college.

However, the annual meeting isn't only about work. The visiting students will also be able to see some of what makes Mansfield University and the surrounding areas so unique.

"There will also be time for some fun things as well. We are planning on taking all the students over to the Grand Canyon to show off a little of what makes Mansfield University and this area so very special to us." Russell Althouse, a Mansfield SGA senator and chair of the BSGP Planning Committee, said.

After the BSGP conference concludes here in Mansfield school representatives will meet again in Harrisburg at the beginning of the spring semester.

News from the region

By AMY KENDIG
Flashlight Writer

WELLSBORO- David M. Young, 19, was sentenced to 59 to 118 months in jail for theft, criminal trespassing, and criminal mischief in the Tioga County area. Young pleaded guilty to theft of mail from 200 to 300 mailboxes, burglary, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct for stolen gasoline within Wellsboro, Mansfield, and Lycoming County.

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT- A mother and her two children were left without a home Tuesday, October 14, due to a kitchen fire. Delinda Pollan, landlord of the home, said that her resident, April Huffman, was cooking chicken and went into the living room to watch television; she fell asleep. When she woke up, she

smelled something burning and went to the kitchen where it was in flames. Huffman, nor her two children, sustained any injuries. The damage cost was estimated at \$10,000.

WILLIAMSPORT- Jonathan D. Roberts, 18, of 1531 Memorial Ave., was charged with delivery of drugs and possession of drugs. His delivery of drugs resulted in the death of Joshua D. Grimes, 25, of 1024 W. Central Ave., South Williamsport. Grimes fell into a coma due to an overdose, which prompted police to investigate. Doctors said that Grimes had become over sedated from methadone he consumed and suffered brain damage which led to his death.

Information used was attained from: www.tiogapublishing.com and www.sungazette.com

Faculty lecture series speaks out on epidemiology

By JESSICA YOST
Flashlight Writer

Each year the Office of the Provost sponsors the Faculty Lecture Series which is comprised of a combination of guest and faculty speakers. This year the Faculty Lecture Series will take on a Global Issues format.

All of the lectures in this series will focus on the topic of Epidemiology, the study of the distribution of disease in a population, and the factors that affect this distribution. The topic was selected because it is relevant to all academic disciplines.

The first two lectures were conducted by guest speakers. On Oct. 14, Dr. James Young, the Commissioner of Public Safety of Toronto, presented a fascinating discussion on the SARS outbreak that occurred in Toronto earlier this year. Then on Oct. 16th, Mr. Hall Moore, a preclinical toxicologist, presented an interesting discussion on the Ebola outbreak that occurred in Reston, Virginia in 1989.

Throughout the year, various academic departments will present their discipline's perspectives regarding

Epidemiology as part of the faculty lecture series. These events are free and open to the public, light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend these interesting lectures. They will prove to be both thought-provoking and intriguing.

Future programs include Dr. Keller, MU Chairman of the Psychology Department, presenting a panel regarding the role of the Tioga County Partnership for Community Health in preventing disease and promoting health in Tioga County, Dr. McEvoy from the Philosophy and Liberal Studies department discussing ethics, Dr. Yacovissi, Business and Economics, discussing the existence of cancer clusters and Dr. Shawndra Holderby from History and Political Science department, presenting a discussion titled "Bring Your Dead: The Historical Implications of The Black Death."

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Jessica Yost at 662-4176 or yostj@mnsfld.edu.

Laurel renovations running on schedule

By EMILEE DANIELSON
Flashlight Writer

After renovating both Maple A and Maple B over the past three semesters, residence hall construction has moved up the hill to Laurel Manor. As part of the University's five-year plan to renovate the residence halls on campus, some part of Laurel Manor will be under construction until its expected completion in May 2004.

This semester, Laurel B, previously home to three of MU's four social sororities, is under construction. The former residents of Laurel B were moved to different places on campus. Although this disbursement affected all students differently, most of the sisters of Alpha Sigma Alpha, Delta Zeta, and Zeta Tau Alpha now reside in Pinecrest while other Laurel B residents moved to Laurel A or the newly renovated Maple A.

After renovations on B-side are completed, Laurel A will have its turn to have a new look. A-side will be closed at the completion of this semester and is planned to re-open in time for the fall 2004 semester. Included in the renovations to both A-side and B-side are newly installed sprinkler systems, asbestos removal from the floor tiles, new windows, and an upgrade to the bathroom facilities on each side. Residents cur-

rently housed in A-side will be able to move into Laurel B or into other available rooms on campus.

Laurel Manor has certainly not been a stranger to construction in recent years. During both the summer and the fall of 2001 the lobby area was under heavy construction as the kitchen was completely renovated and an access ramp was added to allow A-side to be handicap accessible. The project was completed in November 2001 and the new kitchen and lounge area was dedicated to "Uncle Jack," Laurel's retired Maintenance man.

However, this time around construction has been much less of an inconvenience to the students who reside in Laurel. According to Elizabeth Bisel, Graduate Assistant of Laurel Manor the residents are handling the construction experience exceptionally well.

"Students are being very cooperative," Bisel said, "they (the students) have been handling this inconvenience very well."

As the semester moves along, one of the many questions of Laurel residents has been addressing the speed at which the construction has been progressing. However, according to Bisel, residents have little to fear concerning the pace of the renovations.

"Construction is moving along well and is actually ahead of schedule," Bisel said, "There is a lot of work to be done, but the warm weather has been to the construction workers benefit and they are using this advantage well."

Both the residents of Laurel and the administration at Mansfield University are looking forward to a timely completion of the renovations.



Laurel's newly renovated lobby area.

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MU gets uglier

By AMY KENDIG
Flashlight Writer

Halloween, All Hallows, is one of the oldest holidays and has been influenced by numerous cultures. Over time, customs and traditions from those cultures intertwined.

In the United States, Halloween became a fun holiday for kids. Dressing up in costume and begging for candy at neighbor's doors became the thing to do. However, the holiday that was just for kids has become a holiday for all ages, especially adults.

On Halloween, an average of 50% of adults wear costumes and spends well over \$1.3 billion on costumes each year.

Although this year's hottest costumes for adults are Spongebob, Lord of the Rings characters, Bill Clinton and Matrix characters. The timeless classic costumes of vampires, witches, zombies, and Renaissance characters remain popular.

"I like dressing up for Halloween because it lets you be someone else and that is why it is fun," said Jessica Arredondo, Graduate Assistant at Mansfield University.

Along with the most popular Halloween costumes, there are always unsuccessful costumes that make the Top Ten List of Least Popular Halloween Costumes every year that various Halloween websites have.

Some of the least popular Halloween costumes this year are a Zombie Hobo, a piñata, cheerleaders from Saturday Night Live, Insurance Claim Adjuster, invisible pedestrian,

and a Wal Mart greeter.

The majority of adults in the United States are following the Halloween trends, but students of Mansfield University have their own imaginative creations up their sleeves to trick, treat, or scare others.

"I like dressing up for Halloween," said Leah Parana, Junior at Mansfield University said. "I think that students will wear anything that is easy to throw together and is cheap."

In a survey conducted purposely for this article, fifty, random people on campus, replied and only six responded that they were not dressing up for Halloween.

The students who were dressing up for the holiday had the following ideas: cow, gypsy, J-Lo, 70's man, snow queen, "hairy" potter, and naughty schoolgirl, Brad Pitt from Snatch, an RA, and an old man.

Like the majority of college students strapping for money, they find costumes at no cost or low cost. It all depends what "treats" are in your closet.

Students, who are making their costumes, use any item ranging from duct tape to empty water bottles.

So, whether you are dressing up for trick-or-treating for candy, going to parties at Kelchner Fitness Center, or Cedarcrest, it doesn't matter how much your costume costs, it matters how good you look in it.

For ideas on for making your own costume go to www.costumeideaz.com

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What is the best Halloween costume you've ever had or seen?



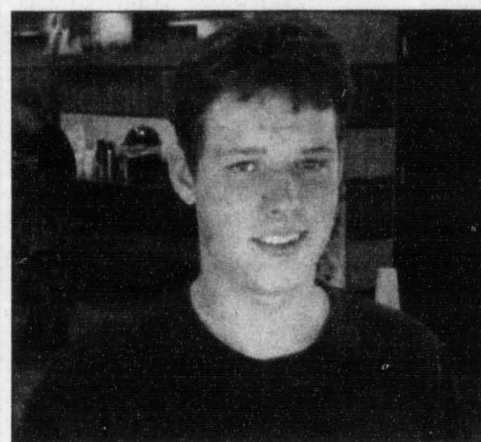
"I was a hershey kiss on year. I was all wrapped up in tin foil and I had a tin foil hat."

Tanya Fuentes



"I was ALF one year. I rented a costume and everything."

Geoff Maxon



"My ..'brother'..was a chicken coup. It was made out of cardboard and chicken wire. It had a ramp with a little baby chic and my...I mean my'brother's'..head stuck out the top with a chicken mask."

Sean Hausman



"The best Halloween costume I ever saw had to be a can of Chef Boyardee. He got a big cardboard tube and he did all the art himself."

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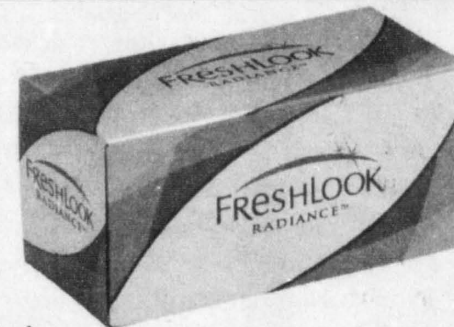


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Mansfield mourns loss of a university icon

Helen Dieffenbach Lutes, an icon at Mansfield University, passed away after a short illness on Saturday, October 25. She was 94 years old.

"Mansfield University has lost a beloved member of our family," MU President John Halstead said. "Helen Lutes was the true matriarch of Mansfield who inspired us all and so loved our students and our alumni."

A fixture at Mansfield since 1946, first as a teacher and then as a benefactor and supporter, Mrs. Lutes attended every softball game at the field named her in her honor in 1995 and was a regular at many other campus events until the time of her passing.

Mrs. Lutes and her husband Ferris met at Mansfield. She served as a faculty member in the Health and Physical Education Department for 29 years and was granted emeritus faculty status upon her retirement in 1974. She coached tennis

and served as a volunteer in charge of the intramural program as well as an advisor to the color guard, cheerleaders and Class of 1953 during her tenure. She was a pioneer in her efforts to get women involved in athletics.

"Helen was gender equity before there was such a thing," Mansfield Sports Information Director Steve McCloskey said. "She formed the Women's Athletic Association and gave female students the opportunity to compete and enjoy the benefits of being involved in athletics."

The Lutes are both enshrined in the MU Athletic Hall of Fame, the only husband and wife so honored. Before Mr. Lutes passed away in 1998, the couple endowed scholarship funds to benefit women's athletics and men's basketball. In 1999, Mrs. Lutes made a second significant planned gift that will benefit athletic scholarships in the future.

In October 2000, she was presented with the Eberly Award for Philanthropy by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher

Education. At Mansfield's 2001 Commencement, Mrs. Lutes was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters. Last June, she was named the College Division Donor of the Year by the National Association of Athletic Development Directors.

"I will always remember Helen Lutes for her kindness and generosity, to help so many current and future generations of students

pursuing their education at Mansfield," Halstead said. "From student-athletes to talented musicians, Helen loved them all and we loved Helen. She added a sparkle to any Mansfield occasion and blessed us with her wonderful stories, her endless support, her personal care and affection for others, and her vision for excellence in athletics and academics. She was proud of her years as a Mountie and even prouder of 'her girls'. My lasting image will be of her dressed in Mountaineer red and black watching ath-

letic contests at Lutes Field—appropriately named after her accomplishments as a faculty member and coach. Coach Lutes inspired us all."

"Her scholarship support and her vision for gender equity are legendary as are her accomplishments as a professor and coach," he added. "She spoke her mind and with her heart—I will always remember how she took over the podium when I granted her a well-deserved honorary doctorate at our 136th Commencement on May 5, 2001. Helen's legacy will continue as we honor her at all athletic contests and pause for a moment at our annual scholarship dinner and our scholar-athlete luncheon this week. I know she will continue to look down upon us with pride and wise advice as well."

Calling hours for Helen Lutes will be Wednesday, from 7-9 p.m. at Wilston Funeral Home, 18 North Main Street, Mansfield. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church, North Main and Sherwood Street, Mansfield.



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Helen Lutes, retired faculty member and MU Athletic Hall of Fame inductee, passed away Saturday after a short illness.

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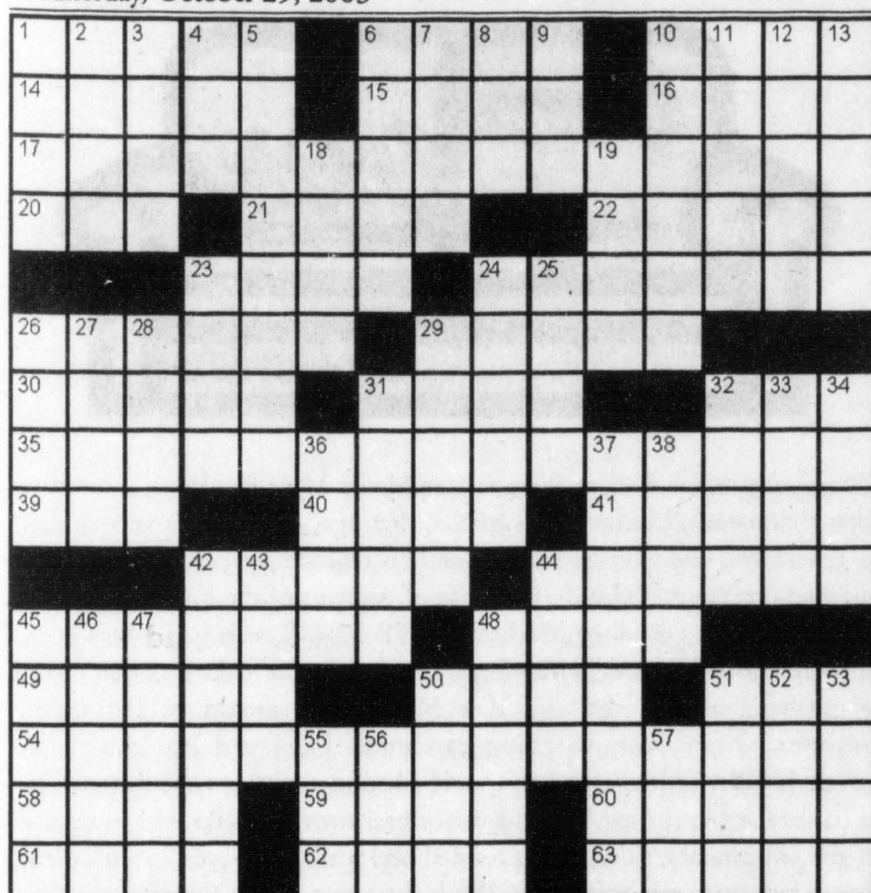
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6. "_____ Misbehavin"
10. Pouches
14. Turn away
15. Land with peat bogs
16. Russian mountain range

Down

17. Where Amelia Earheart is said to have disappeared
20. Students in their last year of school
21. Civil Rights activist Parks
22. Collapse
23. Selves

24. Silliest
26. Most pink
29. Smallest amount
30. Preface
31. Submerge
32. Baseball need
35. Song from Disney's The Jungle Book
39. Very fast airplane (abbr.)
40. First-class
41. Hooded snake
42. Nuisances
44. Device that responds to a stimulus
45. Bets
48. Foot cover
49. Notions
50. Cowboy boot accessory
51. Meadow
54. 1993 Bridget Fonda movie
58. Sea eagle
59. Greatly valued
60. Emmy or Tony
61. Relax
62. Rim
63. Pale, brown colored hair

Down

1. Taxis
2. Above
3. German articles
4. Type of wrestling
5. Caviar fish
6. Accumulate



By TINA KAMBOURIS

7. Ninth Greek letter
8. Neither's partner
9. Three prefix
10. Illuminated
11. Dispute
12. Composes
13. Hibernated
18. Portal
19. Causes if Cleopatra's demise
23. Economic analysis for a project (abbr.)
24. Thick
25. Acorn trees
26. Curved bones
27. Cardinal numbers
28. Numerical datum, for short
29. Payments for a debt
31. Gael
32. Baby accessories
33. Dynamic or Postale preceder
34. Russian emporer
36. Not difficult
37. Cone filler
38. Honky's partner
42. Mars, for example
43. Where the sun rises
44. Tart

45. The Pied _____
46. Idolize
47. Straps used to control horses
48. Reproductive organism produced by fungi
50. Catch quickly
51. Hawaiian feast
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53. Warhol or Griffith
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- 5 p.m.- Baby Boy
- 7:30 p.m.- Scent of A Woman
- 10 p.m.- Malibu's Most Wanted
- 12:30 a.m.- Forest Gump

Friday

- 5 p.m.- Scent of A Woman
- 7:30 p.m.- Malibu's Most Wanted
- 10 p.m.- Forest Gump
- 12:30 a.m.- Baby Boy

Saturday

- 5 p.m.- Malibu's Most Wanted
- 7:30 p.m.- Forest Gump
- 10 p.m.- Baby Boy
- 12:30 a.m.- Scent of A Woman

Sunday

- 5 p.m.- Forest Gump
- 7:30 p.m.- Baby Boy
- 10 p.m.- Scent of A Woman
- 12:30 a.m.- Malibu's Most Wanted

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By TINA KAMBOURIS

Movie Review: Texas Chainsaw Massacre

By NOAL BASTIAN

Flashlight Writer

Rip roaring, limb chopping, face lifting fun! If you're a fan of blood, guts, perverted sheriffs, toothless hicks and the Hunchback of Notre Dame, *Texas Chainsaw Massacre* is the movie for you!

Expecting to see a brainless movie full of large breasted women being torn to bits, I loaded up on popcorn and soda preparing for the nights masquerade. Yet, I was intrigued by the opening lines of the movie. They explained that this movie was based on real events that actually did happen. So, my demeanor changed to "watching a documentary of large breasted women being torn to bits." Yet, I was again intrigued to see that this movie took a step (in my opinion) up from the normal slasher flick.

For example, Leatherface, as he is so dubbed, was not this amazing omnipotent super villain bent on world conquest. He had a softer side, a side which actually made the audience feel for the human being Leatherface actually was. Don't get me wrong, chopping people up with any sharp object he can find is

his main goal in the movie but, he had a sensitive side. It was also nice to see our regular heros, who were ultimately doomed, put up a good fight before taking the axe (pardon



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The cast of *Texas Chainsaw Massacre*: (left to right) Andy (Mike Vogel), Pepper (Erica Leerhsen), Kemper (Eric Balfour), Erin (Jessica Biel) and Morgan (Jonathan Tucker)

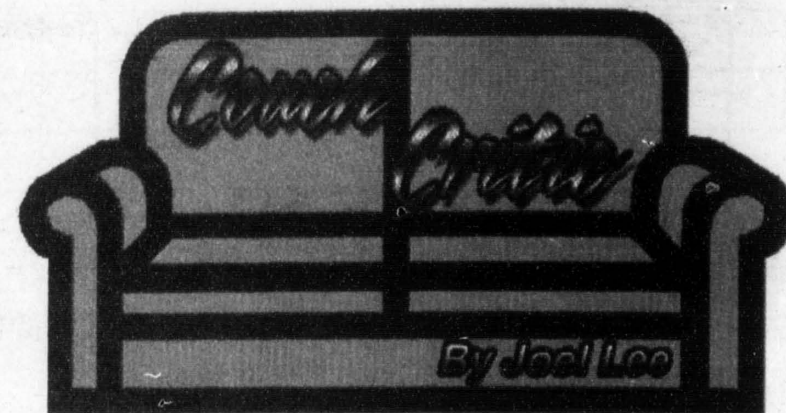
the pun). Using anything they could get their hands on, whether it was a 4 iron or a butcher's knife, they defended their own lives to the very end.

Now onto more technical sides of the movie. I must commend the lighting director. This movie gave off a very dark feel, and very strange vibe. I feel that it is mainly from the lighting choices. For example, whenever a character is outside during the day, it is very bright out. Yet, if the same character enters a house, the lighting is

completely gone. Almost like night came without a single warning. Through windows you could see the light outside, but inside it was always dark. It gave a feeling of being trapped inside a dark box and not being able to get out. I also must commend the director of photography. The camera use was very powerful. Unlike most slasher flicks where random camera angles and random shots bring about the feeling of unfamiliarity in its audience, this movie used many of the same shots to make the audience feel like they were in the same place as always, as if they were getting no where. Much like

the characters in the movie. Many of the shots were done from a distance which made the audience feel like they were spying on the actors. Bushes, trees and other foliage were put in front of the camera which made me feel like I was watching the actors from far off, almost like I was Leatherface watching my prey.

Over all it wasn't half bad of a movie. If you can stomach people hanging from hooks, and fingers nails being torn off then go for it! If not, I heard *Secondhand Lions* was good...



My roommate, Pat Radice, is a one man Media Man. Frankly, I'm not sure what that means, but he swears by this alter ego. I believe it's very similar to Theodore Long's on-air persona and his real life persona, meaning, it's one and the same. Teddy L. for those of you out of the know, represents Mark Henry and Rodney Mack on WWE Raw. Raw is not a very good show anymore, but Media Man has a few theories to make it better, mostly revolving around the idea that Media Man should be champion. However, as one Features Editor can attest, I defeated Pat in a rough match outside Cedarcrest when the ref faked unconsciousness then awoke to count the pin for me. It was a major heel turn for K-Bo, but necessary to give my character that much needed heel push. However, in a moment that I feel hurt my credibility, Pat kicked out of my finisher, the J-5. Understandably, though, he is Media Man, but still, it makes it difficult for fans to trust my finisher. Also, in some Dorm Room Wrestling League action, our futon couch fell apart after I had to J-5 many peeps for random actions of stupidity. One crazy kid named Bondo nearly broke in half, and K-Bo survived one of the first recliner to recliner flips ever, and he also bled profusely onto the carpet. Pat and I have also had some major chopping competitions, but, in truth, the only monster we fear is Da Viking. I'm not really sure what the storyline is for Da Viking, but I'm sure it will involve insane stunts with limousines and jumps off the roof because I try to live my life exactly like Shane McMahon, a real life Superman that breathes the same air I do. Actually, I defeated Da Viking once, in Burger King, while he was ordering his food and I chopped him hardcore in the back of the knee and shoulder. That makes me a manster, Pat is a manther, everyone knows K-Bo is related to Rambo, and Da Viking will go praying mantis on you.



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Haunted Mansfield:

The haunted history of North Hall and 'Sarah'

By RACHEL ADAMS & JOE MAZER

*Editor-in-Chief of The Flashlight
and Special to The Flashlight*

North Hall is one of the largest buildings in the northern tier of Pennsylvania. Gale Largey, Mansfield University professor of sociology, writes in his 1984 book, "Life at Mansfield," that it rises seven or eight stories high. He references a huge bell tower on the top and elaborate designs on the doors and around the building. North Hall served as a dormitory until it was condemned in the late 1970s.

A popular legend circulates around Mansfield University. It is a story of love, heartbreak and despair – the story of a jilted lover who jumped to her death from the seventh floor of North Hall. The tale has been published in many books and articles, and is even used by the admissions office to promote North Hall, which has been remodeled into a library. It's a ghost story – the story of Sarah Madigan.

Every student at MU knows the story, but, as with any good ghost story, there are many versions of the legend.

The first version of the story is that Sarah

was jilted by her lover. According to Largey, it happened in, or prior to, the 1930s. The story goes that, "North Hall used to have a great open stairwell in the center of the building. It rose seven stories to the top. That open stairwell is now closed up. The maintenance people say it's because of fire, that the stairwell would have caused an updraft that would burn the whole building down, but the girls knew better – they closed it up because she threw herself down from the top!"

According to the legend, Sarah had been dating a man for some time, and one night, he didn't show up as expected. Instead, he sent a note saying he didn't love her any more and didn't want to see her again, but he had no explanation. Then, according to Largey, "She went crazy. She went running around the floor. The other girls tried to calm her down. Finally, they got her to go to sleep. She awoke in the middle of the night, more upset than she was before. She walked to the banister, looked down the dark stairwell, swung her leg over and jumped. They heard her

scream on every floor as she went down."

Largey goes on to write that her funeral was held at her home and the college kept the story very quiet. Administrators apparently said to the papers that a young woman became ill and had gone home, then she passed away. The students knew the real story.

Because Sarah reportedly had the most beautiful voice on campus, another version, the "music major" version, goes that Sarah was sitting on the seventh-floor railing of the atrium. She was singing the university's alma mater with such a stunning voice that all the girls in the building left their studies and came to see her. In their presence she sang with even greater excitement. She became so emotional that she lost her balance and fell backwards down the well. Even though the other girls screamed with horror, Sarah kept singing even as she was falling to her death.

Both versions of the legend reference many interesting events that took place after she died.

The story goes that, "within a few weeks they could hear her walking the

floor at night. She carried a candle or an oil lamp that lit her face in an eerie way, but she was not unfriendly." Sarah chose a girl, who is only referred to as "Kyle," to communicate with. Sarah told her that she can walk on any floor in the building because in her death plunge she passed by every floor. Because of this, Sarah is sometimes referred to as, "The Ghost of Every Floor."

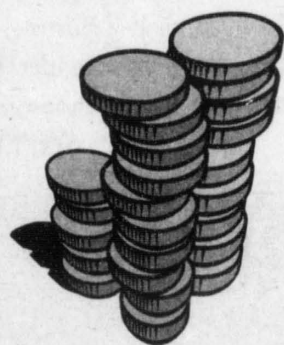
Sarah is, however, a gentle ghost. Her tricks are limited to turning lights on and off, although some people have reported seeing books fly off the shelves. According to Largey, Sarah only wants to help freshmen girls, not cause trouble.

Apparently, Sarah does still exist, and wanders the floors of North Hall at night. Students have seen her peeking out of the windows of the library at night, and janitors have reported "feeling her presence" as they clean after the library has been shut down for the night. Does Sarah Madigan still walk the library floors, keeping watch over the students at Mansfield University? We may never know.

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CD Review: 311, Evolver

By JENNIFER NELSON

Associate Editor

I like to call it "evolving" with 311. Yes, it's sad but true I am a virgin to 311. The only two songs I am familiar with are "Transistor" and "Amber" because I may have stumbled upon them several times on MTV or the radio. How ironic it is that I will be going to see 311 with Alien Ant Farm and O.A.R. It is quite fitting that Mike Peters bought *Evolver* for my birthday. (Thanks Mike.) On with the music.

I must admit I was a bit reluctant to listen to this CD, but as soon as the first track ("Creatures [For Awhile]) began to play. I fell right into the trap. I was hooked by the words and music of lead vocalist Nicholas Hexum. I sensed a mix of rock and alternative punk throughout *Evolver*. These two ingredients make for one rockin' recipe. Hexum's voice is unique and incredible. Even though his tone is often mellow and laidback, the intensity of the lyrics pulls you right into the album. I was rather disappointed with track three "Crack the Code". I just did not feel 311's message. It seems like it was a struggle putting the lyrics to the music. Track three wasn't horrible, but it was a song I'll skip over.

One thing I enjoyed for the most part on this

album were the guitars and bass. You will constantly move with the beat and never lose interest. Track five gives you that "Amber" feel - relaxed with a reggae feel. (For all O.A.R. fans, this song "Beyond the Gray Sky" is similar to music on their albums.) 311 does a great job with transitioning into their music with the lyrics and rhythm. By track six, it's obvious that 311 has undergone some changes in their lives and music. I find when bands and artists experience some kind of change, their music is more powerful than before.

The songs are all different from themselves. Usually you listen to an album with songs that have two or three different guitar tab changes and similar melodies. *Evolver* is an album of very distinct tunes. Most people who don't particularly like alternative punk shy away from the genre. 311 is a band that will change that perspective. As the album ended with "Sometimes Jacks Rule the Realm", I realized that I am a fan of 311 - I think the acoustic guitar did it for me. I have a feeling this will be the most popular track on the album.

If you're a fan of Sublime or O.A.R., then you'll definitely enjoy the sounds of 311. I evolved - now it's your turn.

OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: Thank you, Mansfield!

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

We at *The Flashlight* have been having a banner semester. We've been running 16 pages a week without fail, and have added a full-color spread to the center of the newspaper. Advertising is through the roof, and we've added several new editorial board positions to make life run a little smoother. Our staff writers are really rising to the task ahead of them, and we're taking on new reporters every week. We've upped our weekly circulation by 250 papers, and they've been disappearing with surprising speed from our drop stations. What a great way to end my career at Mansfield University!

I can't walk from class to class every day without getting stopped by someone complimenting me on *The Flashlight*. It's a great feeling to know that our efforts are appreciated — it's a great feeling in and of itself to know that the newspaper is being read at all!

But I can't take all the credit, or even most of it, for the success of this newspaper. Our editorial board staff has been amazing this semester, meeting our weekly 5:30 p.m. deadline with unfailing regularity. The stories they've assigned have been fresh, timely and innovative, and their layout and editing skills continue to improve every day. Even though the air in the office gets a little tense every now and then, for the most part we're all a tight group who knows when to laugh and when to buckle down. I love each and every one of the editorial board members, and I'll miss them all dearly when I leave.

And where would we be without our faithful staff writers? They show up to our staff meetings every Wednesday night, where they're assigned stories that are expected to be completed by Monday morning. That only

gives them Thursday and Friday to search out the campus officials they need to interview for the story, but somehow they do it, and do it well. Whatever credit is given to the editorial board must also be given to our writers, so, great job, guys! We couldn't do it without you.

What I really meant to say in this editorial (I think it may be some sort of Associated Press requirement for EICs to be long-winded) is, "thank you" to everyone who's been boosting us up this semester. I don't get paid for my position here, but it's worth more than any paycheck to hear someone say that we're doing a good job and that they're proud of us. I've been having so much fun at the reins, and it really tears me up to know that it's almost time for me to leave this publication behind forever. I may rant and I may rave, but *The Flashlight* truly means everything to me, and I'm so happy that the public thinks I'm taking good care of it.

Lastly, a bit of a disclaimer: For those of you who don't know, *The Trashlight* is something we do every semester to blow off a little steam. It's no secret that we work hard to produce this newspaper, so every once in a while we like to go crazy and poke fun at our university. Historically, no one has gotten offended by anything printed in *The Trashlight* (probably because they're laughing too hard to care), and campus higher-ups often thank us for making fun of them. If you've been lambasted in this issue, think of it this way: you were the first person we thought of to "quote." That's a huge compliment right there!

So, dear readers, enjoy this special Halloween *Trashlight*, and please continue to give us your feedback, positive or negative. There are four issues of *The Flashlight* left in this semester, and we'll be doing our best with all of them. We might be on the other side of midterms, but it's not time to say good-bye yet.

Letter to the Editor: Reply to the Couch Critic

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the Couch Critic's column in the October 15th issue of the Flashlight. His comments have provided me the opportunity to inform the Mansfield University community about a few of the library services that students, faculty and staff may not be familiar with.

The library has many works of fiction and literature in its collection. The best seller collection contains mostly newer materials. These are *New York Times* best sellers, titles of current interest,

or new books by popular authors. If you are looking for recent popular titles, try the best seller collection on the 2nd floor of the library. For other works of fiction, try searching PILOT for books in the book stacks. These books, located on the 4th floor, are by a wide range of authors and cover a much broader time period than the best seller collection.

For materials that aren't available in the library, you can borrow books through a service called E-ZBorrow. This service allows Mansfield students, faculty and staff to borrow books for

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as they sometimes will,
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Politics and Opinion: *Stay out of the bedroom*

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

I recently read that Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, known for his strict conservative interpretation of the Constitution, wrote a harsh dissenting opinion against the high court's recent ruling, legalizing gay sex. The aforementioned ruling was in response to a court case in Texas in which a man was arrested for having consensual sex with another man in the privacy of his own home. Keeping the minutiae of the case out of the debate (for it would be futile to argue them here), it seems ridiculous to me that our nation's justice system

should even care about such a thing. I think Mr. Ashcroft and his Justice Department have bigger problems to deal with than the sexual practices of its citizens. Of course, it is not only the Justice system that seems to care.

This therefore begs the question, what is then that makes the homosexual "lifestyle" and I use this term loosely, so abhorrent to the rest of society? It is a well known, and documented fact that some of the world's most ancient civilizations openly accepted homosexual acts between adults including the Greeks, Romans, and Aztecs to name a few. Indeed, in his

Symposium, which was written in 387 B.C. and describes the origin of love, Plato writes of the "children of the sun," (men who love men) and "children of the earth," women who love women.

There are also those individuals out there who have taken religious texts such as the Bible and warped them, in order to back up their own hatred of homosexuality. Do the names Pat Robertson or Jerry Fallwell ring a bell? I recently read about one belief that states that the only proper sex is that which can result in procreation. By this definition, there are all sorts of acts that would therefore be considered

"wrong," including the breastfeeding of infants by their mothers, and other oral sex acts. Does this not seem absurd to you?

The point to underscore is that the reason so many people find homosexuality abhorrent (and many are starting to change their minds), is that they simply can't understand, or choose not to understand it. In the end, politicians would be smart to put aside their own hatred or disgust of homosexuality, and instead get to the real work that needs to be done in this country on things like Medicare and Medicaid, Homeland Security, environmental

issues, and the war on terrorism. America is progressively liberalizing, and the conservative judges on the Supreme Court need to wake up, and shy away from the old school, and get in with the new.

I think the Beatles said it best, "all you need is love." Isn't that what we all want? So to all you right-wing politicians, and homo-haters out there, I say get over it, stay out of the bedrooms, and let all Americans regardless of race, color, creed, religious background, or sexual orientation love as they see fit. Mr. Scalia, TEAR DOWN THAT HATRED!

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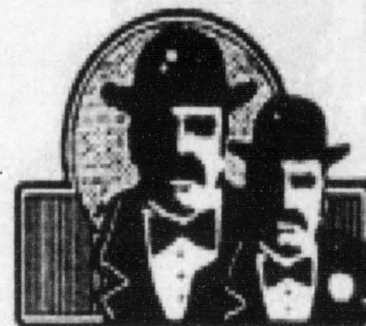
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This Week in Sports: The best postseason ever?

By JAMES SHAPPELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

Well, the baseball season came to a close this past weekend, with the David-like Florida Marlins slaying the Goliath New York Yankees.

In what seemed like the playoffs that would never end, we saw the Florida Marlins erase deficits in every single series to come back and shock the world.

The playoffs started off simple enough. The high riding Yankees lost the first game of their series with the Twins, but then easily rolled to three straight wins, including two at the Metrodome, to advance to the ALCS.

The real drama started when the Red Sox fell behind the pitching-strong Oakland Athletics, two games to none. Someone finally woke up the Red Sox in game three, with an extra inning win on a Trot Nixon homerun.

The biggest controversy came in this game, when both Miguel Tejada and Eric Byrnes argued questionable calls, and the momentum for the series shifted. The Red Sox went on to win the series and set up an all American League East A.L. Championship series with rival New York.

In the National League, the Marlins started their dramatic run against the defending National League Champion San Francisco Giants. After losing game one, the Marlins fought back to win the series three to one. Meanwhile, the Cubs managed to come back from a game down to the perennial playoff loser Braves, to win three games to two, when Kerry Woods threw a game five gem against Mike Hampton.

When the Championship Series' began, it was supposed to be the battle of the curses in the World Series, the Cubs against the Goat, keeping them without a World Series Title since 1908, and the Red Sox against the

Bambino, keeping them without a title since 1919.

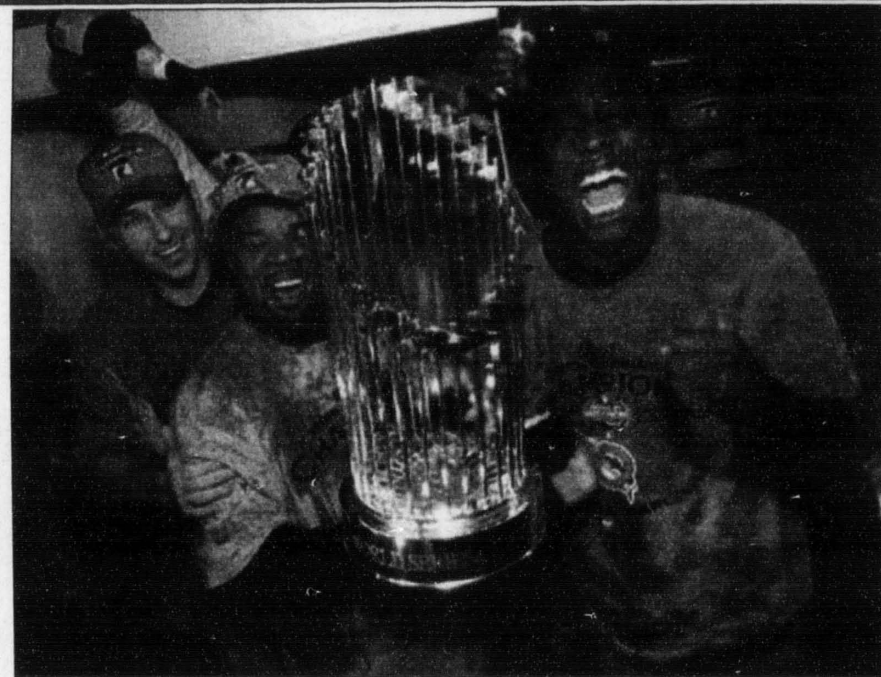
Both teams had their opportunities, and no one thought the Cubs would lose, up three games to one, with Mark Prior and Wood scheduled to pitch games six and seven. The Marlins, however, never said die and pushed the Cubs to their limits. Much blame is placed on Steve Bartman, not a member of either team, but the fan that interfered with Moises Alou's chance to catch a foul ball down the left field line. In reality, the Cubs had other mistakes and missed opportunities which led to their demise, as the Marlins won the series in seven games.

In the American League, controversy capitalized the series between the Red Sox and Yankees, with the Bambino waking the Yankees bats up just in time, as they figured Pedro Martinez out in the eighth inning with one out in game seven, while trailing 5-2. Martinez was charged with all three runs the Yankees scored that inning, and the game went into extra innings. Aaron Boone managed a solo homerun leading off the 11th inning off Tim Wakefield, who had managed two wins against the Yankees already in this series. Brawls, talk and tears had highlighted the series between these

two great rivals.

Maybe the long Boston series emotional and physically robbed the Yankees of their playoff souls, as they were unable to capitalize on their many opportunities against the feisty, pitching strong and speedy Marlins. Hitting just two homeruns during the series, including a game-winner by Alex Gonzalez in game four, the Marlins used great defense, speed and clutch hitting to win the series four games to two, topped off by an amazing effort by Josh Beckett in game six, shutting out the Yankees two to nothing.

So, why does this go down as one of the best playoffs in history? Well, not just one series went the distance, but both Championship Series, as well as two series in the Wild Card Round did, too. The Curse of both the Cubs and Red Sox toyed with fans greatly, breaking hearts in the Windy City and New England. David defeated Goliath. For many, a smile arose as the "Evil Empire" was defeated. Everyone got to see the typical loss by the Braves. Finally, brawls, tears, surprises and non-stop action kept things interesting the whole post-season long. Congratulations to the Marlins on their win, and be happy fans, who knows when we'll see a playoff season like this again.



YAHOO SPORTS

The Florida Marlins celebrate their first World Series win since 1997.

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Mountie field hockey goes out with a bang

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield University field hockey team wrapped up the 2003 season this past weekend as they played host to Millersville and C.W. Post University.

On Oct. 25 the Mounties played host to the Marauders of Millersville University, who they defeated earlier in the season at Millersville 2-1.

The Mounties were first to strike as junior Kristen Campbell scored her first of three goals off a penalty stroke ten minutes into the game to take an early 1-0 lead.

Campbell scored another goal, however, it was disallowed because the shot was ruled dangerous.

The score would remain 1-0 during the rest of the first thanks in part to a strong defensive stance and senior goalie Heather Long who recorded 14 saves in goal.

Long recorded save number 329 which set a new NCAA division II single season saves record which was previously owned by Ruth Beniot of UMass-Lowell in 1992. Long finished the 2003 season with 347 saves in goal.

During the second half of play,



SPORTS INFORMATION

Celaschi scored one of the Mounties four goals in Mansfield's 4-1 victory over Millersville on Oct. 25.

Campbell took over where she left off from the first half scoring an unassisted goal with 26:27 left to play.

Minutes later, Millersville's Tina Riegel responded to cut the Mansfield lead to one.

With just under 10 minutes to play, Campbell scored her third goal of the game for the hat trick as the Mountie took a 3-1 lead.

Five minutes later junior Ashley

Celaschi put the icing on the cake with an unassisted goal with three minutes to play to secure the Mounties 4-1 victory.

The next day the Mounties hosted C.W. Post University during fan appreciation day for their final game of the 2003 season.

Not even a minute into the game, Campbell struck as she scored an unassisted goal to set the pace for the Mounties.

The score would remain 1-0 well into the second half until C.W. Post's Trisha Moran scored a goal off an assist from Ashley Gilroy to tie the game and send it into overtime.

In overtime both Mansfield and C.W. Post had opportunities to put the game away but were stopped by defensive stances.

However, with just three minutes remaining in overtime, junior Christine Thiers scored the game winning goal on a breakaway as her teammates mobbed her near the far goal.

Mansfield finished the season with a bang and finished with a 6-14 overall record and 5-12 in the PSAC standings.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Long had 14 saves in the Mounties 4-1 victory over Millersville on Oct. 25.

Soccer falls short to Edinboro in double overtime 2-1

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

On Oct. 14, the East Stroudsburg University Warriors shutout the Mounties on their home field, 1-0.

The Mounties let up the only goal of the game with 14 minutes left in the first half to Warriors' Linda Hicks. Freshman goalkeeper Nicole Rodweller stopped 13 shots for the Mounties, while Lindsey Vandergrift stopped only two shots for the Warriors.

Mansfield fell to 3-8-2 overall and 2-7 in the PSAC. East Stroudsburg improved to 5-7-2 overall and 2-5-2 in conference competition.

On Oct. 20, the Mounties came home and pitched a shutout of their own, defeating Bloomfield College, 2-0. Sophomore Jamie Heller led the scoring for the Mounties, with two unassisted goals.

Heller's first goal came eight minutes into the game. Heller scored her second goal of the game 12 minutes into the second half. She now leads the team with four goals.

The Mounties had 19 shots on goal and sophomore goalie Julie Miller stopped five shots to record her second shutout of the season.

The Mountaineers' record improved to 4-8-2 overall and 2-7 in the PSAC.

At noon on Oct. 25, the Mounties dropped another close game at Edinboro University in double overtime, 2-1.

Heller made good on her only shot of the afternoon, putting the Mounties up 1-0 midway through the first half. The unassisted goal was Heller's fifth of the season, a team high. Edinboro's Jamie Tekotte tied the score at the 65:15 mark of



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield's Jamie Heller scored two goals in the Mounties 2-0 shutout win over Bloomfield College on Oct. 20.

the second half.

"We came out ready to play," junior Nina Lucero said. "We played real well in the first half. During the second half we played kick ball, then at the end of the second half we stepped it up."

After a scoreless first overtime period, Tekotte struck again on an assist from Carrie Vance, winning the game for Edinboro, 2-1.

"It was one of our best games this year," sophomore Megan Colbey said. "We came out strong. Both teams played very well. We had good communication. Overall it was a heart-breaking loss because we fought so hard."

Edinboro ties their school record for wins in a season with 11, previously set in 2001. Tekotte ties her career record for goals with 35, set by Nicole Vlahovic, and is second in career

points with 81.

Rodweller saved 14 shots, while playing all 108 minutes. Edinboro out-shot the Mounties 25-8. The Mounties fell to 4-9-2 overall and 2-8 in the PSAC.

The Mounties next home game is 3 p.m. today against the Golden Bears of Kutztown.

PSAC SHORTS

Field Hockey: The PSAC Field Hockey Championship is set to get under way with semifinal action taking place at press time. In one semifinal, Bloomsburg, the No. 1 seed, will host the No. 4 seed, Indiana (Pa.) at 2:30 p.m. Shippensburg, the No. 2 seed, will host Lock Haven, the No. 3 seed. Match time at Shippensburg is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Football: Jimmy Terwilliger of East Stroudsburg was named Eastern PSAC player of the week for his performance against West Chester University. Terwilliger led the Warriors to a comeback win over West Chester. He orchestrated a 94-yard drive in the final two minutes. He also went 28-51 for 366 yards, two touchdown passes and ran for another score.

Soccer: Jamie Tekotte of Edinboro, registered three goals and two assists in a 6-0 win over Clarion and then had both goals in a 2-1 overtime win over Mansfield. She hit the game winning goal with just 2:16 left in the match. Her performance against Mansfield gave her 35 career goals, which ties the school record.

Women's Cross Country: Charity Learn of Mansfield, topped the field at the Mansfield Tri-Meet. She beat all runners from Lock Haven and Bloomsburg by finishing the three-mile course in 18.44.

This Week in Mountie Sports							
Mansfield Sports Weekly	Wednesday 10/29	Thursday 10/30	Friday 10/31	Saturday 11/1	Sunday 11/2	Monday 10/3	Tuesday 10/04
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Soccer	Kutztown 3 p.m.						
Swimming				Bloomsburg Away			

On the Sidelines: Lucas Ingersoll

By **MIKE PETERS**
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football program is making history this season.

For the first time since 1948, the Mounties have seven in the win column. With players like Motley, McNeal, Bennett and Holland smashing records left and right, the offensive line often goes unnoticed.

Where would a football team be without a strong offensive line? They certainly would not be standing at a 7-1 record like Mansfield.

Starting right tackle, Lucas Ingersoll is a main part of the recent success of the Mountaineers. Ingersoll is currently in his third season with the team. He knows the agony of defeat and finally the sweetness of success. Ingersoll means business both on and off the field.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Lucas Ingersoll: I am a junior business management major. I plan to be gaining a Masters degree in sports management.

MP: What made you choose sports management?

LI: I have spent my life around sports. Sports kept me in school; sports helped me see out side of the box so to speak. In addition, if you hit it right, there is a lot of money in sports, and it can keep the heart young.

MP: Where are you from?

LI: I was born in Elmira with a home in Ithaca, and I went to high school in Oneonta NY.

MP: Why did you decide to

come to Mansfield University?

LI: I came here for many reasons. I liked the Coach of the team. It is close to home, so my grandparents can come see my play. That is huge to me; my grandparents are my biggest fans.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides football?

LI: I love golf. I should have played golf instead of football.

MP: When did you start to play football?

LI: I did not play football until I was a freshman in high school.

MP: What position do you play?

LI: I play defensive tackle on defense and center, guard and tackle on offense.

MP: Why did you choose those positions to play?

LI: I did not choose them. My size chose them for me. I grew to love playing offensive tackle, and I would not give it up to be anything else.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

LI: Yes, I did. I played soccer, basketball and track.

MP: Do you participate in any other sports at the university?

LI: No, I have never had the time.

MP: Have you won any awards?

LI: Yes, I have. A few awards from high school and some business awards while in college.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the team?

LI: There are things that happen in the locker room, on the field, practice and hotels that you will never get just being a normal student. The friendships, the growing up and understanding others and the struggle to reach a common goal with other men on the team are my favorite parts of being on the football team.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

LI: I do not want to be a quitter. I do not ever want to see that I have let my family down, most importantly my father and mother.

MP: Is there anything you do before a game, like a routine or superstition?

LI: I look inside my helmet a lot. I just sit in the training room with Jamar, the starting center, and Oakes the trainer, and just talk. It



SPORTS INFORMATION
Ingersoll is part of the Mounties solid offensive line this season.

seems to keep me calm and more relaxed. I do not have any cool things like kissing a spoon or keeping an egg in my pants ("Cool Runnings," great movie).

MP: What is one thing you learned from playing football that you will carry on with you in your future?

LI: Just as we hear everyday from our coaches, it comes down to an individual battle. Yes, there is the team but the individual battle marks my heart. Am I better than the person who is across from me? Who has worked harder? I do not ever want to be "that guy" who is being reversed pancaked.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

LI: I would like to be coaching at the college level, and working with the "pigs," the offensive line. If I got the chance to coach in the professionals or play, I would take it. However, my heart is coaching at the college level.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

LI: I only live by one saying. "Go get it. Just go get it."

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

LI: The team is doing what is expected. We have not hit our goals yet, but the drive is there. The togetherness is there, and the fight to reach perfection with each practice, film session, and chalk talks, we will reach our goals. You have to tip your hat to Pooh Bear, Travis, Joe,



SPORTS INFORMATION
Bloomsburg University, Lock Haven University and Mansfield University took part in the Mansfield Tri on Oct. 25.

Learn finishes first at Mansfield Tri; women finish 2nd

The Mansfield University women's cross country team finished second at the Mansfield Tri behind strong finish by Charity Learn and freshman Rachel Hall.

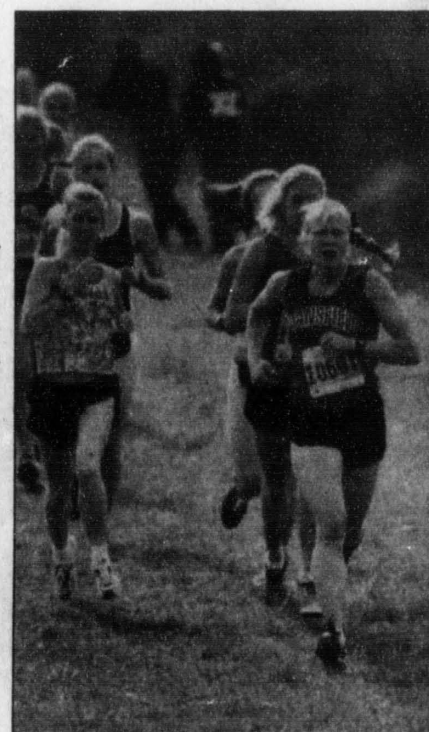
Learn finished first in the women's race with a time of 18:44 for her first first place finish this season.

Hall followed with a time of 18:46 to finish second over all. Learn and Hall finished over a half-of-a-minute ahead of the third place finisher. Freshman Kristin Weller also finished in the top ten, finishing seventh overall with a time of 19:37.

The women finished second overall behind the Huskies of Bloomsburg who finished first.

On the men's side freshman Chris Cummings finished second overall with a time of 15:24. Junior Josh Wooten finished in the top ten as well finishing fifth overall all with a time of 15:48. Overall the men finished third behind Lock Haven and Bloomsburg.

The Mounties next competition is noon on Nov. 1 at the PSAC championships at Bloomsburg University.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Mansfield's Charity Learn finished first over all at the Mansfield Tri on Oct. 25.

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Mounties defense stops Vulcans

Mansfield improves to 7-1 with 14-7 win

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team improved to 7-1 with a 14-7 triumph over the California Vulcans on Oct. 25 at Karl Van Norman Field.

The final result was decided by two stops by the Mounties defense in the final four minutes of the game. California got the ball at their own 11 yard line with 8:25 left. In seven plays, the Vulcans advanced the ball to the Mansfield six yard line. Mansfield made the stand of the game on the next four plays.

On first down, California running back Wes Clemons, who rushed for 179 yards in the game,

was stopped for no gain. After a holding penalty pushed the Vulcans back, an incomplete pass left California with a 3rd and Goal from the 16 yard line. A 12 yard pass on third down pushed the ball back to the Mounties four yard line. On the crucial fourth down, Clemons was stuffed by All-American inside linebacker Dan Holland.

The senior defensive standout attributed the fourth down stop to good coaching.

"Coach does a great job of making sure we're in the right positions," Holland said. "I just made sure I was where I had to be."

Mansfield took the ball back with 3:24 remaining and appeared

poised to run the clock out after picking up a first down on three consecutive Earnest McNeal runs. On his fourth run, McNeal fumbled and California recovered to give themselves one more chance with 2:05 left.

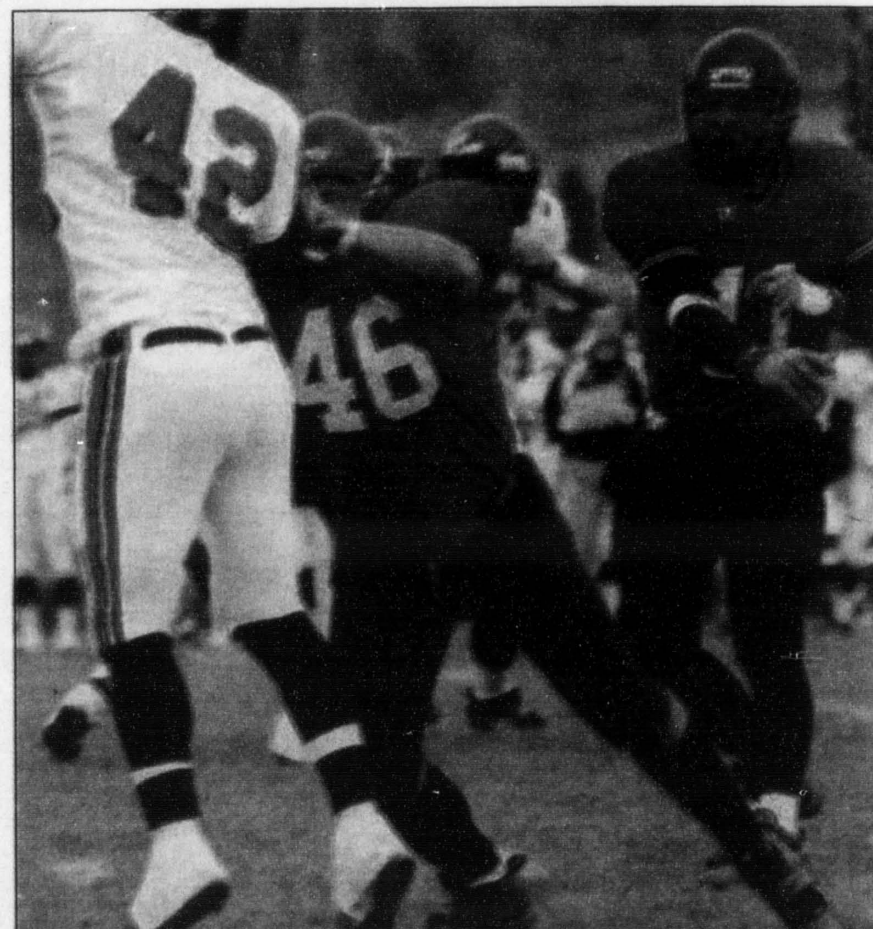
Forced to step up one more time, the Mansfield defense did just that. Daricus Haynes intercepted a halfback pass on the second play of the Vulcans drive, to seal away the victory.

The Mountaineers looked like they were going to roll over the Vulcans early on, particularly during their only offensive explosion of the game. Late in the first quarter, quarterback Travis Motley found Joe Bennett for a 44 yard hookup to give the Mounties a 7-0 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, Mansfield squib kicked and when California was unable to pick up the football, Randy Reinert did pick it up for Mansfield. Five plays later, it was Motley hitting Joe Bennett once again from seven yards out to give the Mounties a 14 point advantage. The touchdown pass was the 57th of his career, passing Bill Bair for number one on Mansfield's all-time list for touchdown passes.

Motley threw for 129 yards and two touchdowns in the game. Bennett had four catches for 70 yards and two scores. McNeal had another 200 yard day, running for 201 yards on 36 carries. Despite his own gaudy numbers, McNeal said the day belonged to Motley.

"The real story today is Travis Motley. The key to greatness is longevity and Travis has been doing this for the past four years,"



SPORTS INFORMATION

Travis Motley threw for 129 yards and two touchdowns in the Mounties 14-7 victory over California (Pa) on Oct. 25

McNeal said. "He is a great quarterback and it's going to be a long time before anyone threatens his records."

After the first quarter, the game belonged to the defenses. California had the best scoring threat of the second quarter, but quarterback John Aitken fumbled and Mansfield's Andre' Turner came up with the ball at the Mansfield two yard line. For the third time this season, the Mountaineers went into halftime with a shutout.

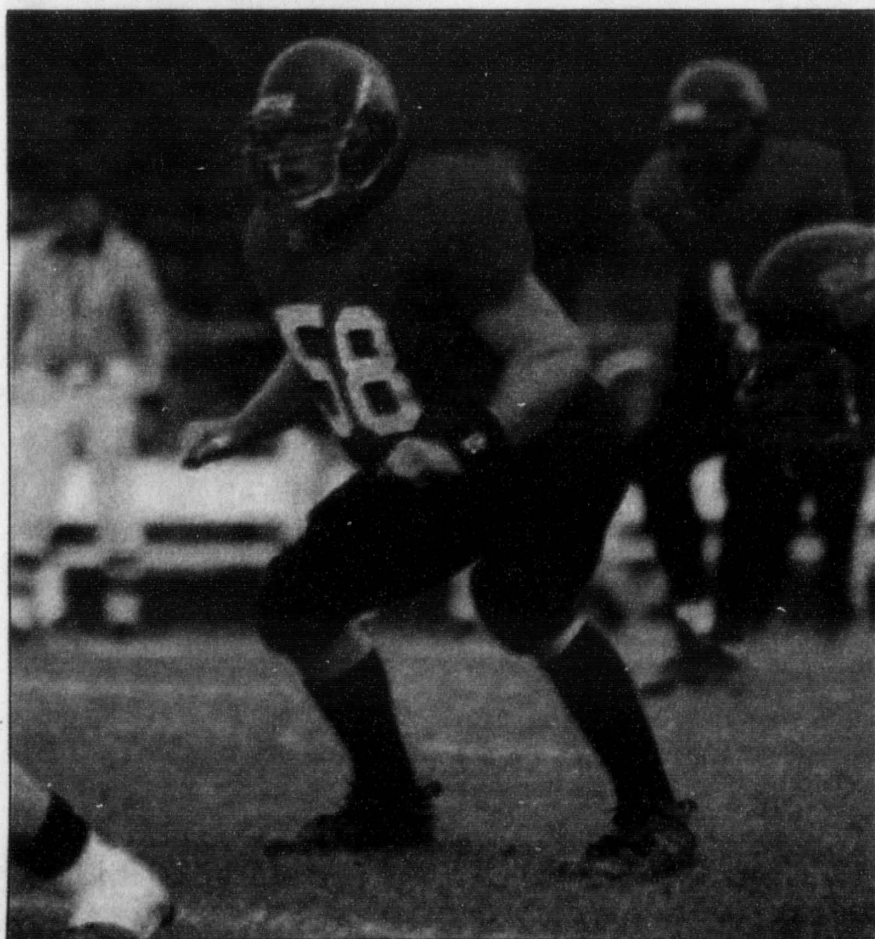
Unlike the first two times, Mansfield was unable to keep the opponent off the board for good. Early in the fourth quarter, Aitken capped a seven play, 51 yard drive

with a two yard touchdown scamper to cut the lead in half, 14-7.

The Mounties responded by driving to the Vulcans 14 yard line before Motley was intercepted by Jerry Ntakrah. The interception was only Motley's fourth of the season. The interception set the stage for what would be the two huge defensive stops by the Mansfield defense.

Holland led the defense again, with 18 tackles. Haynes had 10 tackles, a forced fumble and an interception. Joe Frick added 10 tackles of his own and a sack.

The Mounties next home game is 1 p.m. Saturday against the Wolves of Cheyney University at Van Norman Field.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Dan Holland made some crucial stops on defense against the Vulcans this past Saturday.



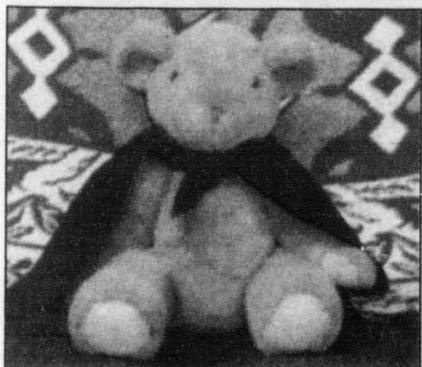
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EVERYTHING ELSE

MUPD serves up a supersize of justice

By THE RESA & ZACH DuBIZZLE

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WE LIKE RANDOM PICTURES
Ronald McDonald, who has delighted children for years with his antics and tasty French fries, is a sick, sick pervert.



Ronald McDonald, 40, head advertising tool of McDonaldland, was found dead this morning in Smyth Park after escaping from Elmira State Prison, where he was being held for 15 counts of indecent exposure and disorderly conduct.

McDonald was arrested two days ago outside of Pinecrest Manor for indecent exposure and is also being investigated for a myriad of other crimes committed on campus. This comes as an additional blow to the McDonald's corporation who recently suffered from the murder/suicide of longtime

employees Hamburglar and Birdie in September.

"We apprehended Mr. McDonald on Monday outside of Pinecrest Manor after receiving numerous com-

plaints of a red-haired individual with abnormally sized feet, who was suspected to be handling his Big Mac and nuggets while looking into the windows of female residents," said Officer of MUPD.

When reached for comment McDonald's attorney Johnnie Cochran released the following statement to *The Trashlight* regarding the moral integrity of his client: "It's an outrage! My client has been unfairly attacked in an offensive manner by the media. He did not kill Nicole Brown Simpson and/or Ronald Goldman..wait..Ronald?..Ronald...ah that sounds familiar. OH YAH! If anyone has Pacific Avenue or Park Place I'm willing to compensate *your* legal body with Pro Boner..I mean Bono..counsel. I really want that Plasma TV!"

The Mansfield community is relieved to have this rein of terror come to an end, but was shocked and depressed have lost the cultural icon.

Senior broadcasting and speech communication major Mike Whittemore, is a resident assistant on the fourth floor of Pinecrest Manor. Whittemore was overcome with excitement when he heard that the indecent party was located.

See "McJAILBAIT", pg. 3 of *The Trashlight*

Trashlight Editor-in-Your-Pants jailed

By BUFFY SPREADWELL

Trashlight Editor-in-Your-Pants

In a shocking turn of events, *Trashlight* Editor-in-Your-Pants Buffy Spreadwell was thrown in jail yesterday for illegally parking on President Stallhead's front lawn.

Spreadwell was arrested after she parallel-parked her Nissan Sentra between two lawn gnomes, running over a third gnome in the process. When Mansfield University police officers arrived on the scene three hours later, they searched her car and found several copies of *The Trashlight* and a black Sharpie marker.

"Well, we were on our way to Cedarcrest for a drug bust but got lost what with all the construction on campus, when we noticed Spreadwell desperately trying to resuscitate the fatally injured lawn gnome," Saul Mimosa, arresting officer, said.

"It's clear that she was planning to use the newspapers for rollin' doobies and the Sharpies for drawing moustaches on the display of president's pictures in North Hall."

The Trashlight was the first on the scene and was granted an exclusive interview with Spreadwell from her cell in the Tioga County Prison.

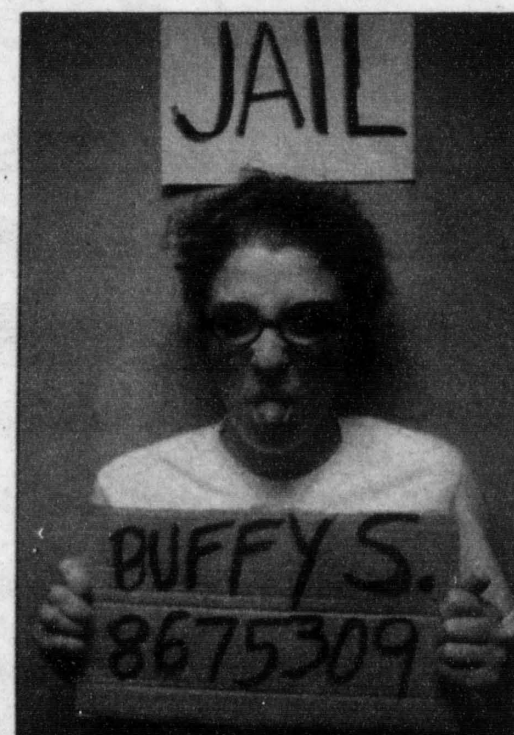
"I was just trying to find a parking spot on campus," Spreadwell sobbed. "I wasn't about to park down in East Bumble(*expletive deleted*), so I figured President Stallhead wouldn't notice one more car. I would have gotten away with it, too, if it wasn't for those meddlin' kids."

Spreadwell then brightened as she noticed that the horizontal stripes on her jailbird uniform made her boobs look bigger.

"Actually, it's not so bad being in here," she continued. "The food reminds me of Manser, so I'm not really homesick at all. And I feel like I'm in *Chicago*, except all the chicks here are ugly and we don't have any synchronized dance moves."

Lionel Hutz, the lawyer guy from *The Simpsons*, will be representing Spreadwell in court.

See "GNOME," p. 3 of *The Flashlight*



BIG STEVE DA VIKING/THE TRASHLIGHT Spreadwell would never use *The Trashlight* to roll doobies, although she admitted her plot to use the Sharpie to draw moustaches on the presidents.

Construction halted due to Graboids

By GILLARY HUMBINE
Flashlight News Co-Goddess

Recent construction at Mansfield University has been put to a halt this week after an accident almost turned deadly.

Sarah Stoermer, Flashlight news co-editor and all around nice girl, was walking by Steadman Theatre when a Graboid surfaced from a construction hole and attacked her. Stoermer managed to get away from the man eating creature before she sustained any deadly injuries.

A Graboid is a prehistoric creature that some may have seen in the movie *Tremors*. They look like snakes and move at high speeds under the earth. They detect their prey by vibrations. These giant worms usually come in packs and students are warned to be very careful and watch their step.

Stoermer is recuperating in an undisclosed hospital in Louisiana somewhere. She was too traumatized to stay within the state and was quoted as saying, "You'll find me in The Big Easy, at least there all I've got to worry about is Bourbon Street and Cajun spices."

Stoermer will be returning to her duties at The Flashlight as soon as possible. Doctors expect her to have a speedy recovery due to youth and a healthy immune system.

"Sarah's a really great girl and I don't think this will set her back at all," Dr. F.L. Good said.

Meanwhile, students are encouraged to watch out for any giant holes where Graboids might have surfaced and to try and walk as lightly as possible. Things like rocks and cement will only amplify the sounds of walking. Students are asked to stay calm and not do any-

thing rash and pretty much, crazy.

"Leave the job up to the police, that's what we're here for," Deputy Dewey said.

Construction work has been put off until police and the National Association for the Conservation of Prehistoric Creatures can capture and remove of all graboids in the area.

"Once again, we urge everyone to stay calm. We have everything under control and can take care of these things quite easily. It involves big clubs and explosives, but the job will be done! Who knows? Maybe Mansfield will lose a couple of these hills that students have complained about," Terry Dactyl, President of NACPC, said.



WE STOLE THIS FROM THE INTERNET
Here are some guys dissecting a Graboid. Or something. We're not sure.

POLICE BEAT

October 22, 2003 - Illegal rave- The editorial board of *The Trashlight* was arrested by campus police for holding an underground lightswitch rave in the *Trashlight* office. Police were alerted to the rave after editors, drunk on Harvey Wallbangers, called themselves in so they would have some filler for the police beat.

October 25, 2003 - Plotting to take over MU- Dan Mason's beard, 19, was arrested after it was caught on the roof of North Hall with a machine gun, screaming, "IT WILL BE MINE!"

October 27, 2003- McWhackin' it- Ronald McDonald, 40, was arrested for voyeurism, fondling McNuggets and gettin' a bit out of hand with the special sauce. McDonald was referred to campus judicial, who promptly offered him freedom if he would give them free Happy Meals for the rest of their lives.

October 28, 2003 - Improper treatment of ugly decorative ceramic dwarves/vehicular manslaughter/parallel-parking in a spot not approved by campus police- Buffy Spreadwell, 22, was cited and arrested by university police for illegally parallel-parking on President Halstead's lawn, running over his ceramic lawn gnome and not being sorry about it.

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Break out the SPF 3,000

We're all going to die! OHHHH sweet Jebus!!!! We're all going to die!

By ZACH DuBIZZLE

Trashlight Coolness

NASA has discovered an apocalypse sized solar flare caused by an explosion on the surface of the sun. While most solar flares cause light to moderate difficulties with communication and other electronic devices, data shows that this current flare will cause the demise of everything on earth with the exception of Bob Dole and Keith Richards.

Though some contend that Dole, despite being at a disadvantage, would slaughter Richards in a matter of minutes, in a battle royale of Viagra vs. Heroine, Rock vs. Depends, Old vs...Older Than Dirt.

"We all soiled our astronomical pants in the office today" said a representative for NASA, "basically what this means is that in 48-72 hours we will all burn like ants under a magnifying glass." Which, incidentally, proves the ever-more popular belief that god is indeed an eight year old boy.

While one might expect riots in the streets, most Mansfield University students appear to be relatively calm about the impending doom. This may be related to the usual stupidity of campus students, though according to one student "We all kind of figured that the apocalypse was incoming, what with the outstanding sports season we're having this year."

"Damn the football team for winning!" President Stallhead exclaimed from under his desk.

According to MU Astronomy professor Jack Smirnoffski, it is not the first time that most

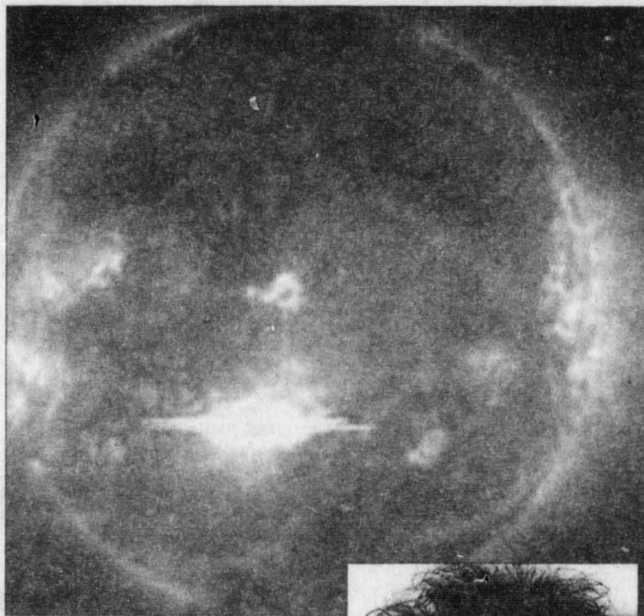


PHOTO BY JACK SMIRNOFFSKI

Pictured above: The explosion of the sun (yes our *Trashlight* cameras rock *that* much), is expected to kill everyone excluding stoned pop icons and impotent political figures.

forms of life have been wiped out on Earth. "Research shows that at one time an asteroid struck the earth and killed all the dinosaurs, but that was a long time ago. It remains to be seen what will be the aftermath of this astronomical disaster, but, well, I'll tell you when you're

older."

However, the good news is that this solar flare will most likely cause some fantastic auroras, though the bad news is that unless you wish to melt your eyes and have them drip down your face and onto your shoes, you probably shouldn't observe them.

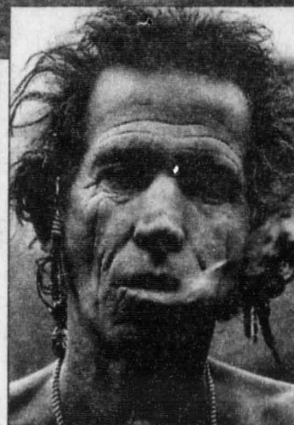
When asked about his thoughts on spending all eternity with Keith Richards, Bob Dole speculated that it would be a long haul, but like Adam and Eve, they will together raise up a new generation of humans. "It's gonna be a prison dance, and he's wearing the dress...I'M BOB DOLE!"

Keith Richards retorted that Bob Dole can "bring it on," and "What's he going to do? Snort a case of Viagra and poke my eyes out? He's out of his bloody skull."

It will surely be a battle of titans, or possibly mutants, as the solar radiation may very well cause Dole and Richards to

grow extra appendages, which may be advantageous to Richards, as he would be able to play Guitar, smoke a cigarette, and shoot lightning out of his eyeballs at everyone's favorite senator.

It will be a crazy mixed up world, then again, we'll all be retired soon anyways.



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"I just hope that Ms. Spreadwell pays dearly for this travesty," Stallhead said in a press conference this morning. "That lawn gnome had been in my family for generations. Generations, I tell you! Why, I remember when great-Grandpa Stallhead brought that gnome over from the fatherland..."

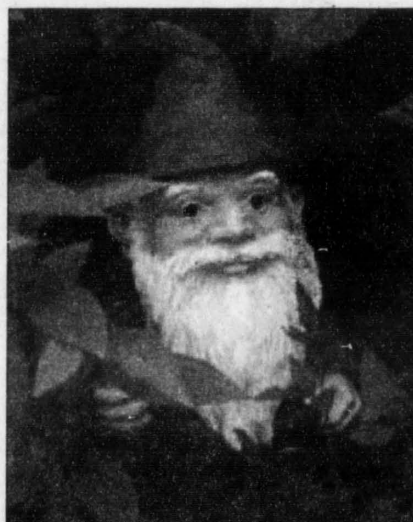
Stallhead then launched into a lengthy history of the now-deceased gnome, during which the editors of *The Trashlight* snuck back to the office to have a beer and some Harvey Wallbangers.

Spreadwell will appear before the Mansfield Municipal Court Judge Buford T. Justice on November 31, on charges of improper treatment of ugly decorative ceramic dwarves.

Additional charges of drug use, murder, racketeering and jaywalking were dropped after definitions of those crimes were looked up in the dictionary.

Trashlight editors plan to raise bail for Spreadwell by instituting a 'swear jar' in the office. Best Damn Sports

Co-Editor Giggity P. has already contributed eleven billion dollars to the fund.



JOHN STALLHEAD

David the Gnome, 1610 - 2003

HEY YOU!!!!

Want to write for *The Trashlight*?

Well tough. It is too late. We just needed to fill some space and since we do this every week anyway we figured we'd take some time to make fun of you. Idiot.

The Trashlight is funded in part by Student Activities Fees, sausage and the letter X. Aren't you glad you pay all this money for us to sit around the office and jerk-off all week?

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"This is justice," Whittemore said. "You have no idea how glad I am that this mc nugget is finally back in his package. He may tell you that he was only looking in the ladies windows, but i cannot tell you the number of times I saw that red afro from the corner of my eye."

Whittemore was adamant about seeing McDonald pay for his actions. "Fry him," Whittemore said. "Put him in the frier."

Others are ashamed and embarrassed. "He is an embarrassment to the Irish community," said Patrick McGuinness.

The famed Cochran also represented the Hamburglar during the trial that proceeded his tragic death. Hamburglar was arrested in early September for allegedly stealing hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of meat, cheese, buns and lettuce over his long-spanning career with the company.

Also implicated in the alleged conspiracy is Birdie, Mr. Burglar's long-time lover and friend. Birdie, who had once been under investigation for murder and cannibalism was acquitted of eating a six piece box of nuggets in 1997.

Much like McDonald the stress of the trial proved to be too much for the notorious couple, when on Sept. 28, Hamburglar killed Birdie and then himself in a drunken rage after consuming a supersized quantity of Yuengling Lite and methamphetamines.

Fellow fast food associate, Colonel Sanders said he suspected this day would come. "This evil McEmpire has been a pox on the food and grease industry. Y'all are welcome to c'mon over to KFC where the only chickens we choke, are the ones you eat."

Funeral servies for McDonald will be held at The Playplace and his ashes will be spread throughout the plastic ball pit. Donations can be made in McDonald's name to the Runaway Circus Clown's Rehabilitation Fund, The Ronald McDonald House, and the American Heart Association in order to combat the high cholesterol caused by fast food.



Trashlight Sports

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ MANSFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA ❖ WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2003

MLB uncovers shocking scandal

New York Yankees paid their way to get into the 2003 World Series

By JAN ZEDOY

Best Damn Sports Section Co-Editor

Don't call them the Bronx Bombers. Call them the Bronx Frauders.

Many Americans watched in disbelief as Aaron Boone's leadoff homerun in the 11th inning gave the Yankees a 6-5 win over the Boston Red Sox on Oct. 16. That disbelief will continue to hover over America's favorite pastime as the New York Yankees organization is under investigation by the MLB association.

The entire Yankees administration including manager Joe Torre and owner George Steinbrenner were brought in for questioning prior to game one of the World Series with the Florida Marlins.

"I know nothing of the allegations," Torre said. "This is news to me. Even though I am a

"Well, I just hope Deter and company gets a good lawyer, maybe Kobe's attorney can take care of it," Giggity P. said. "I'm not worrying about it. After all, I'm going to jump off the pin stripe bandwagon and work on my NY Mets campaign - Believe 2004!"

-Giggity P

true Red Sock, my team did nothing wrong."

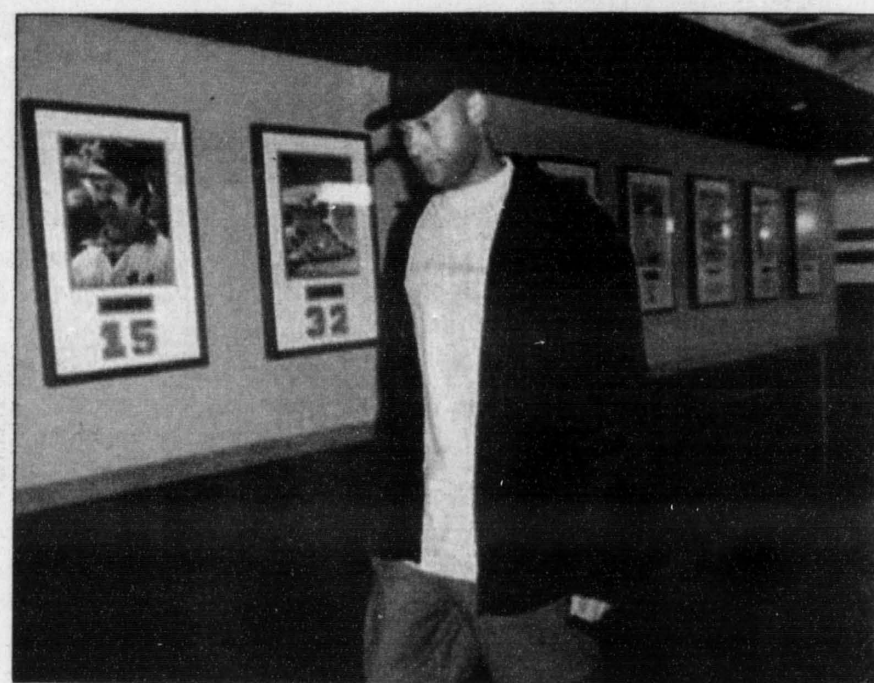
Buddy Giles, the commissioner of baseball, was arrested for bribery and accepting illegal monies. According to a disclosed informant, Giles has been accepting bribes from Brenner and Yankees player Jerek Deter since April. The bribes, included a shopping spree at Saks Fifth Avenue, a Rolex watch and four bonds in the amount of \$500,000 each. The most recent

bribe issued by Deter was for Giles to have Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez fined for "unsportsmanlike conduct" in return for \$1.5 million in cash. Deter was not available for comment because he was at a video shoot for his new Mastercard commercial.

"We did not do a darn thing wrong," Jason Gumbi said. "I just think people want us in trouble, and they will do anything they can to watch us fall." Shortly after comment, Gumbi was subpoenaed for possible steroid use.

Many experts and analysts believe this accusation stems from the Yankees' absence from the World Series since 2000. "I'm not surprised by this at all," ESPN analyst Pete Gannons said. "The way they have been acting over the past two years is evidence the accusations could be true."

The MLB association has not experienced this much agita since the gambling woes of Pete Rose. If found guilty, Giles, Torre, Brenner and Deter will face suspension from the MLB



YAHOO SPORTS

New York Yankees Jerek Deter walks down the hall over Yankee Stadium after the scandal was unleashed.

and fines of up to \$950,000. The case could reach the New York State court system. If convicted, Deter could see possible jail time and he would not be able to enjoy the New York City night life. "It will take some time for Jerek to adjust, if in fact he's convicted of fraud and bribery," ex-girlfriend Carey Mariah said.

This scandal not only hurts the MLB's integrity, but it also breaks the hearts of the fans all over the United States. The Yankees are among the top five favorite baseball teams.

"In my heart, I know it's not legit," Jim Shappelly said. "If by some odd chance it is, I'll love them still."

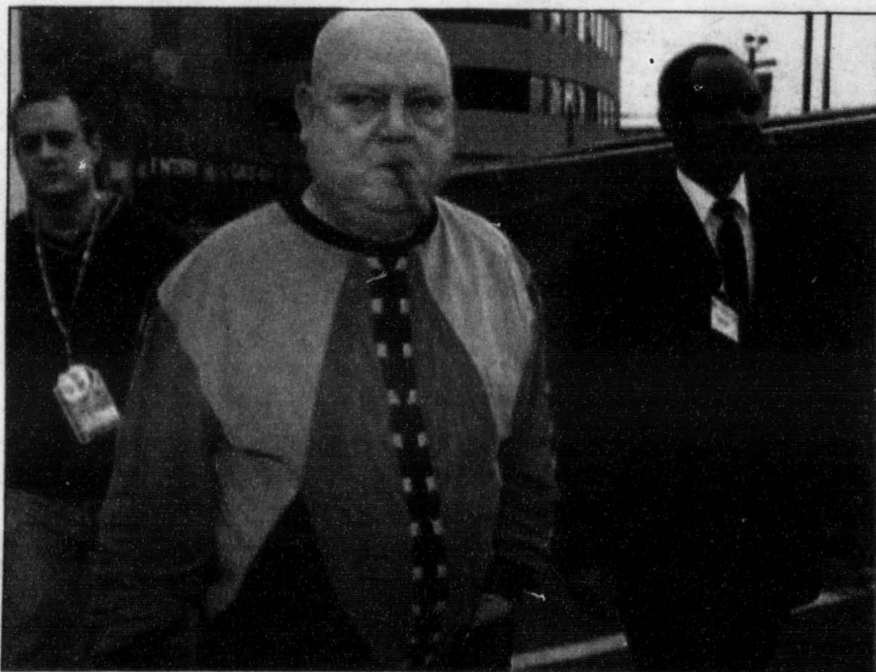
The Mansfield campus was also stunned by these twisted turn of events. Besides the Mountie baseball team and the Atlanta Braves, the Yankees are

the most popular.

"Well, I just hope Deter and company gets a good lawyer, maybe Kobe's attorney can take care of it," Giggity P. said. "I'm not worrying about it. After all, I'm going to jump off the pin stripe bandwagon and work on my NY Mets campaign - Believe 2004!"

"As a baseball player myself, I find this scandal to be a travesty," Woosty Wurster said. "I guess we'll just have to wait and see what happens."

Maybe the Curse of the Bambino is coming back to haunt the Bombers. Then again may be not. If you're a Yankees fan, chances are you were a bit spooked by this. In the words of MTV's Ashton Kutcher, 'you've been punk'd!' Booooooooooooo! Happy Halloween!



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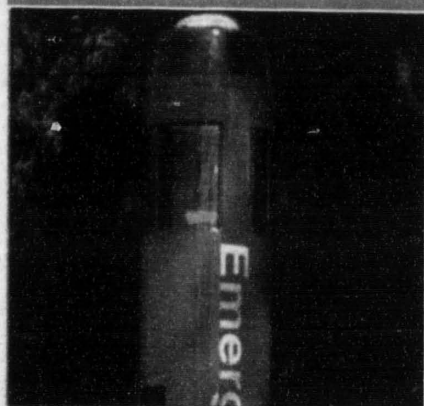
The 'Don' himself was being escorted by authorities moments after word got out about the scandal.



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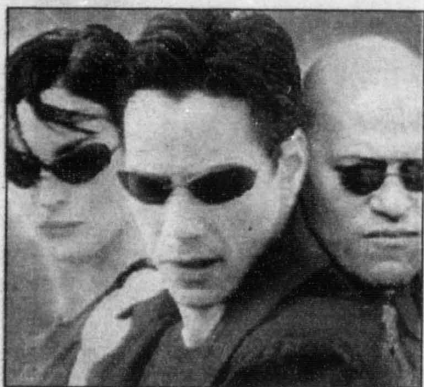
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BSU leaders attend conference

By AMY KENDIG

Flashlight Writer

Every year, the Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education (PBCOHE) holds a conference for young, African American college leaders.

Six members of Mansfield University's Black Student Union (BSU) attended the 17th annual conference Oct. 24 to 26 at Split Rock Resort in Lake Harmony, PA. MU was one of 51 PA colleges and universities in attendance.

MU students who participated in the conference were Akirah Bradley, President; Keith Drummond, Vice President; Na'eem Douglas, Historian; Shakia White, Co-Secretary; Samara Truitt, Parliamentarian; and members Ebony Briddle, and Ebony Steer.

This year the theme for the conference was, "You are the Key for Current and Future Leadership."

The MU students were impressed with the overall amount of students who were there to improve black student relations, as well as with the professionalism shown throughout the

entire conference.

"The most memorable aspect of the conference was to see how many young, African American leaders there were in one room to unite to work together on black higher education," Bradley said.

Throughout the conference, each of the students had to participate in fourteen hour-long workshops in order to learn leadership skills, ethical understanding, professionalism in the workplace, and much more.

One of the workshops that the members found to be most effective was entitled, "Who, What, Where, When, and How to Be Black." The workshop described what it's like for black individuals on a predominantly white campus.

In addition to acquiring insight from workshops, the MU students were able to do some networking with other students of black organizations from different institutions.

"The networking opportunity that you get by being able to talk to different schools that are in the same organiza-

tion as you is great," Douglas said.

By being able to network with other students from the conference, members of BSU got some suggestions on how they could improve with issues of increasing membership, as well as getting student members of BSU to be more proactive in academic roles on campus.

During the conference, awards were given by PBCOHE for various achievements of young African American leaders. Five students were honored with this

award, one of whom was MU's own Akirah Bradley.

The award was based on nominations made by each advisor and chosen by PBCOHE on leadership qualifications.

As the conference came to an end, the MU students were left not only with memories and friendships, but also with the following quote:

"Search your heart as you prepare to lead the world, always remember to leave a world better than you found it to the future generation." -Anonymous



NE'EEM DOUGLAS/THE FLASHLIGHT

Bradley pictured with the award she won.

MU makes a difference in the community

By KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University Students and Faculty helped the surrounding community on Saturday with their participation in Make a Difference Day.

This day marked the second year of campus-wide involvement in the activity. Approximately 300 hundred volunteers from Mansfield University helped make a difference.

Many student organizations dedicated their Saturday to community service on Make a Difference Day. Some of these groups included: Social Greek Organizations, the Student Government Association, Best Buddies, UNV 1100 classes, and Students in Free Enterprise. University faculty and staff, as well as individual students and athletes also volunteered their services for this day.

Volunteers participated in many different projects and tasks on Make a Difference Day. Jody Hare; Director of Student Organizations, Leadership, and Greek Life, was responsible for the coordination of Make a Difference Day.

"We had all kinds of different project going on," Hare said.



PHOTO PROVIDED BY JODY HARE
Zeta Tau Alpha sisters help out with Make A Difference Day

"Due to the time of year, there was a lot of outside clean-up (raking, trash pickup, etc.) at local housing facilities and public parks. We also had projects that included painting, indoors and outside, moving furniture, running a BINGO game at Broad Acres and a variety of 'fix-up' work."

UNV 1100 classes were major participators in Make a Difference Day. The freshman seminar classes were required to do a community service project. Many UNV Faculty and Peer Leaders attended Make a Difference day along with their classes. Senior Joe Mazer is a Peer Leader for UNV 1100.

"By taking part in Make-A-Difference Day, we have the opportunity to become active members of the university community," Mazer said. "As a UNV 1100 peer leader for two semes-

ters, I've noticed that students can have fun while giving something back the area."

Sponsors of the Make a difference Day Project were very thankful for the University's involvement.

"Many of our project sponsors called me to thank me for the help," Hare said. "In turn, I should say I extend my thanks to them for their participation and patience. I would also like to thank many of them for providing lunch and work materials for our volunteers."

Make a Difference Day was originally a project of the Social Greek Organizations. With the beginning of campus-wide involvement last year, it is anticipated that the program will continue to grow.

"We look forward to making Make-A-Difference Day even better next year!" Hare said, "and a huge thank-you should go out to all who participated."

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

★ **The Ellison Collection**, Mansfield University's only all-male a capella group, will present a concert at 8:30 p.m. on Friday at the Hut. Admission is free.

★ **The Walk-A-Friend program** is now up and running! Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 5 p.m. to midnight, and Thursday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Volunteers are still needed. To get an escort, call Campus Police at x4900. Look for students with "Safety Patrol" jackets and ID.

POLICE BEAT

October 24, 2003- **Theft from Motor Vehicle**- University Police are investigating the report of a CD player, 4 CD's and a tool kit stolen from a vehicle parked in the T lot. There was also damage to the battery cable. The combined value of the cable and the stolen goods is approximately \$350.

October 29, 2003- **Criminal Mischief**- University police report that the rearview window of a car parked in C lot and two windows on the bus stop were broken out.

If you have any information regarding these cases, please contact University Police at 662-4900.

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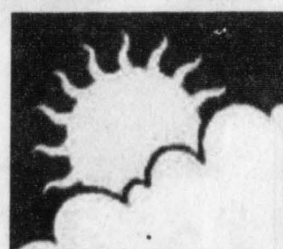
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Today- Morning showers and wind, high of 67° and a low of 42°.

Thursday- Partly cloudy, high of 54° and a low of 31°.

Friday- Cloudy, high of 45° and a low of 26°.

Saturday- Cloudy, high of

42° and a low of 29°.

Sunday- Cloudy, high of 62° and a low of 42°.

Monday- Mostly cloudy, high of 47° and a low of 25°.

Tuesday- Showers, high of 48° and a low of 36°.

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SGA update: Be informed and help make decisions on campus

By COLIN COLEMAN

Flashlight Writer

We make a lot of decisions in the Student Government Association. This is my third year as a Senator for the Student Government Association. In those three years, I have seen dozens of campus issues and problems resolved or put into action. I have personally been a voting member of senate when we decided to increase the price of a parking ticket so that we can build and upkeep parking lots. I was there when we voted to raise the student activity fee from \$100 to

\$115 then \$130 and eventually \$150. We also have voted to find monies for the necessary Emergency "Blue" lights on campus, and try to bring important issues to the table that are pressing our students. We try our hardest to represent our student body and university to the other state system schools at Board of Student Government Presidents meetings; one of which will be held here at Mansfield in two weeks.

It is also the job of senators to make themselves known to the stu-

dent body so that everyone knows who is making decisions on their behalf. We try our hardest to make ourselves known and make sure you know what is going on in SGA. This is your university, you should know what is going on.

But it isn't just your job to be informed. It is your job to inform us (SGA) of any concerns and issues that we might not know about.

See "SGA," p. 4

Safety tips for student use on campus

The following steps have been implemented to meet the 6 needs as suggested by students to increase campus safety:

1. Blue Light Phone Update

A campus safety tour with student representatives and campus police was completed under the leadership of Chief Shegan. The locations for blue light installation were chosen in part for safety, ease of installation-power, telephone availability, and for visibility. Installation will occur at the following sites:

East Lot

Wilson Street at K Lot/Daycare Center

Wilson Street near Retan Memorial lawn between Alumni and Straughn

Intersection at rear of North Hall and Grant

End of turkey path near Butler
End of turkey path on back corner of the Hut

South Mall

Field house on R lot side

Decker on Stadium drive
Front of Fitness Center
C lot entrance

Sidewalk that joins C and A lots
There will also be a blue light installed in the new upper Steadman parking lot when construction is completed.

2. Walk-A-Friend Program

This student run escort service is available for members of the campus community who do not want to walk alone at night. Walk-A-Friend is staffed with volunteers who have successfully completed a background check. To contact the Walk-A-Friend service call 662-4900 to request assistance. Two volunteers will be sent to escort the individual to their on campus destination. The service is available Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 5:00 pm to midnight and Thursday thru Sunday from 5:00 pm to 2:00 am.

3. Safety Whistles

Safety whistles are being provided to all students. They are available in each residence hall for on campus

students and in room 326 of the Alumni Hall Union Building (AHUB) for commuters. Whistles are for emergency use only. If otherwise used students may be judicially referred and or charged.

4. Increase police presence on campus
Campus police have increased walk-throughs, foot and vehicle patrols throughout campus.

5. Improve lighting

The annual safety walk of campus to determine lighting and landscaping needs has been scheduled. The lighting survey that was completed on a monthly basis will now be reviewed every other week. A copy of the report is available at the Doane Center.

6. Printed shuttle schedules in all buildings

Printed schedules of the Mountie Express have been posted in all academic buildings and residence halls. The Mountie Express has added an additional stop in front of Butler on the evening parking lot shuttle.

What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

World News:

RUSSIA- Moscow city authorities said that Halloween was not be celebrated because it is "psychologically damaging and not in line with educational aims." According to Moscow's education department, letters were sent out on Friday to schools to ban the Halloween pagan festival, which it said was based on a "cult of death." Alexander Gavrilov, spokesman for the department later told reporters that; "the religious elements of Halloween go against the secular nature of education in state educational institutions and are destructive for the psychological, moral and spiritual well-being of the pupils."

NAIROBI- Unless governments do more to help conserve one of Africa's most precious resources (water), worsening shortages "will leave Africans poorer, hungrier and even more dependent on aid." At the opening of a five-day conference in Nairobi, researchers gave their warning and went on to state that it is imperative that Africa finds newer and better ways to manage its rainfall and river systems in order to stave off future famine and flooding. Water shortages "are predicted to affect the livelihoods of one third of the world's population by 2025, perhaps resulting in losses in food production equivalent to the entire grain crops of the United States and India combined."

IRAQ- On Sunday, Iraqi insurgents hiding in a date palm grove, shot down a U.S. helicopter carrying dozens of American troops, killing fifteen and wounding 21 others. According to eyewitnesses, "the attackers used missiles-a sign of the increasing sophistication of Iraq's elusive anti-U.S. fighters." The attack is the deadliest strike against U.S. forces since they invaded Iraq back in March.

National News:

DURHAM, N.C.- The Episcopal church ordained its first openly gay cleric, V.Gene Robinson as a bishop, which represents the first ordination of an openly gay cleric in any major

Christian denomination. The event was held at a sporting arena at the University of New Hampshire with approximately 4,000 people in attendance. The police outside the venue held a group of anti-gay activists at bay, as Robinson became the first gay bishop of the Episcopal church. Bethany Murabito, a University of New Hampshire student commented "the consecration was a step in the right direction."



WASHINGTON D.C.- Two years after the September 11th attacks that changed the world, the United States finds itself once again, politically divided at 50-50. With a year to go before the 2004 presidential election, growing questions about the American mission in Iraq, the economy and economic improvement continue to dominate the political agenda. A recently issued Washington Post-ABC News Poll shows that the nation "is again polarized over the performance of the president."

MINNESOTA- According to a recent study, which will appear in the November issue of American Journal of Public Health, if birth control is more readily available or easier to obtain, sexually active teens are more then likely to use it. At the same time, researchers from the Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support found that easier access to contraception did not encourage sexual activity among teens who were not sexually active. "Direct distribution is a much more effective way to get sexually active kids on contraception, that, hopefully, in the long run will have an impact on teen pregnancy rates," said the author of the study Abbey Sidebottom.

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Congratulations to the following Flashlight writers for being awarded

"Article of the Week" for the October 29 issue:

NEWS:

Erica Hudock- "Mansfield student receives fellowship"

FEATURES:

Noal Bastian- "Movie Review: Texas Chainsaw Massacre"

SPORTS:

James Shappell- "This Week in Sports: Best postseason ever"

Indie-rocker Sara Wheeler to perform at Jazzman's Cafe

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

With five CDs under her belt, the most recent being 2002's *Summer*, Sara Wheeler has made a name for herself on the indie-rock circuit.

Now she's on her way to Mansfield University to perform at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday at Jazzman's Cafe in the AHUB.

Wheeler, born and raised in Michigan, grew up listening to Cole Porter, George Gershwin and big band swing music. She sang with her parents and grandmother, and later joined various choral ensembles. Wheeler also played the trumpet in drum and bugle corps.

She earned a degree from Berklee College of Music in Boston, where she learned to play the piano and guitar. Wheeler says living in Boston, "a Mecca for singer-songwriters," helped her refine her artistic style.

Her voice has been described as "a gossamer soprano

with a Celtic-sounding lilt." Her music, "luminous folk-pop" features rich acoustic guitar and elegant piano ballads.

Wheeler has traveled all over the world, and her music is evidence of this fact. She says that living and traveling abroad has taught her to relish living in the moment, and has also cultivated in her an awareness of the possibilities that present themselves if one will simply pay attention.

Wheeler has lived in Japan and Switzerland, and has visited Thailand, India and Nepal. She has also been to France and England, paying a visit to a recording session with the London Session Orchestra in the legendary Abbey Road Studios.

In 2000, Wheeler was nominated as the

College Coffeehouse Entertainer of the Year. With all of her credentials and life experiences, this is sure to be a show that shouldn't be missed.

Visit www.sarawheeler.com for more information.



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Sara Wheeler recently released her fifth CD, *Summer*.

Computer Science Club gears up for Annual "Geek Week" celebration

By LOU BINETTI

Flashlight Writer

With the fall semester more than halfway over, the students in the Computer Science club are anxious to help motivate and entertain the student body, by holding the annual Mansfield University Geek Week festival. The Geek Week festival, which has been previously held in the spring, will last from Nov. 14 to 20.

Kicking off this year's Geek Week will be a LAN party, held on Nov. 14, from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. at the Hut. For those unfamiliar with a LAN party, it is a gathering where you network your computers together, and play multiplayer games. They are always a fun time and can also be a good place to earn bragging rights and show off

your hardware. Instead of one large event, which last year was the MC Paul Barman concert, this year the club is going all out and planning two great off-campus trips.

The first trip is a paintball expedition which will take place on Saturday, Nov. 15. We will leave in the afternoon, and travel to a local paintball field, where we will have an all-out paintball war! There will be equipment rentals on-site.

On Sunday, Nov. 16, the club will be organizing a bus trip to an IMAX theater in Rochester, NY; to see both *Matrix Reloaded* and *Matrix Revolutions*, presented in the IMAX large-screen format.

Signups for both of these

trips will begin today with a sheet posted on the computer science club bulletin board in Elliot Hall. The *Matrix* field trip is funded by Student Activities Fees. However, there will be a \$5 charge payable at signup.

These events are open to everyone on campus, and are on a first-come first serve basis. There are many more exciting and entertaining Geek Week events, including a gaming tournament as well as a movie marathon. Keep on the lookout for posters and flyers promoting these events on-campus.

For more information, contact Barbara Morgan in Student Activities at ext. 4980.

News from the region

By AMY KENDIG

Flashlight Writer

COVINGTON- A mysterious fire broke out at the Covington Day Care Center. The fire broke out in one of the rooms before the children arrived Tuesday morning. No one was injured. The estimated cost of the damages is \$30,000.

MANSFIELD- Sahr Thomas, nursing major, and Edward Watkins, psychology major, were both honored The James Hughes Memorial Scholarship Oct. 31, 2003. The Mansfield University students were chosen out of 67 Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education students and received a scholarship of up to \$1,500.

MANSFIELD- The Mansfield borough has contracted with Hunt Engineers of Horseheads, N.Y. to take a look at the Nation Guard Amory which might be available as early as next year. A team of architects will evaluate the building to see

if it a feasible spot for the borough to use as offices.

MONTGOMERY- The Montgomery school district's alumni are helping a local family by raising funds through their Montgomery Annual Football Invitation of Alumni. District residents Jerry and Sally Pauling of Washington Township are each fighting two degenerative illnesses which affects their and their three children's lives daily. Sally was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis eleven years ago and nine years later her husband was diagnosed with what is commonly called Lou Gehrig's Disease. Gallahad Mallory, coordinator of the MAFIA recognized the Pauly's difficulty and decided that this year's classic would be to help raise money for the family.

Information was gathered from www.tiogapublishing.com, www.sungazette.com, and www.mnsfld.edu

SGA, cont. from p. 3

There are only 35 senators on SGA. That is one senator for every 100 students at the university. Those 35 senators know what is going on in their own lives as well as knowing what is going on in SGA. But there are plenty of issues and concerns that you have that we never hear.

I am ashamed some times when we at Student Government begin to discuss old business that is not really relevant anymore because there are no "new" issues to address. I know there are issues out there that students have. Some students ask me what is happening with certain issues on campus. No problem, I'll tell you, but know that if you had come to an SGA meeting, you would know. Know that if you had involved

yourself in a university committee that dealt with these issues, you would know. But instead, you sit in your room watching TV or listening to the radio and have no clue what is happening on your own campus. The Student Government Association meets every Monday night at 9:15 p.m. in AHUB 317. If you have questions, concerns, issues, or comments; come down to the meeting. See what we do and make yourself heard. Student Government is here for you, make sure we are making the decisions you want.

Oh, and by the way, we aren't raising tuition by \$3,000 a semester. But what if tomorrow it was announced that we did? Is that a decision that was in the best interest of you and the rest of the student body?

Hey You!

Now that we have your attention, you should write for the Flashlight! Interested? Of course you are! Call x-986 for more info.

CD Review: Everything to Everyone, Barenaked Ladies

By ANDREW MERRITT
Massachusetts Daily Collegian

After 15 years, a band trying to reinvent itself runs into the threat of alienating their die-hard fans, the ones who bought the first cassette at a concert, who still sing back the lyrics to all the songs from the first compact disk at shows now. Barenaked Ladies have managed to avoid this malady simply by reinventing themselves with every song.

And it's certainly not easy to keep reinventing over that amount of time, especially with the disasters the band has gone through, from the classic lineup realignment that saw Andy Creegan get replaced by Kevin Hearn, to the near-tragic circumstances of the cancer that nearly killed Hearn just as the band was enjoying its greatest success.

It's a trend that began with 1998's "Stunt," an album that took them out of the obscurity of being a Canadian band with few songs American radio even paid attention to, and made them a brand name, a group relevant to pop music. Part of that came from the fact that they were willing to dull the sharp emotional and satirical edges on their songs, and make them more radio-ready.

The trend continued in 2000's "Maroon," which saw them find a little pop success ("Pinch Me"), but also opened up their ability to craft songs that sound like simple pop, yet surge with darkness and emotion underneath.

It would appear, with the release of "Everything to Everyone," that they've found the happy medium. BNL finally has found the balance between inserting emotion under the surface, and making the actual sound so user-friendly that nearly every song is singable, with pieces that just about any listener can latch on to.

The first single, "Another Postcard," is a perfect example. The first, second, and maybe even third listen of the track will have most wondering how musicians who have been around since 1988, and had nearly three full years to work on a new studio album, wasting time on lines like, "some chimps in swimsuits / some chimps in jackboots / some chimps in hard hats / some chimps who love cats." The reality is that there's a frustration woven underneath the silliness that can be interpreted, as is often the case with this quintet, many different ways.

"Another Postcard's" style is also noteworthy, because a synthesizer/vocoder beginning gives way to Ed Robertson's singing, which



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Barenaked Ladies reinvent themselves once again on their new album *Everything to Everyone*.

alternates between R&B-influenced soul, and an improbable turn into the rapid-fire vocals of an upbeat reggae tune.

But it's not all departure from the norm on "Everything to Everyone." Fans who flocked to the rock 'n' roll sound of "It's All Been Done" from "Stunt" or "Too Little Too Late" from "Maroon" will be pleased with songs like "Second

Best," a classic Barenaked Ladies-style tune. "Second Best" even starts out much like some of the other lesser-known but well-done songs in the BNL catalog, with guitar-driven melody that has just enough electric color to make it closer to the rock side of the pop spectrum.

There's also a very soft side to "Everything," one that was mostly absent from "Maroon." "For You" is Robertson at his best, addressing his object with the same sort of lonely questioning as "Stunt's" "Leave" or "When I Fall," from 1996's "Born on a Pirate Ship." According to the weblog the band put together -- clearly a measure to appease fans waiting at long length for another recording -- "For You" was a group favorite, but nearly didn't make the record. Listeners will certainly be glad that it did.

There's also a happy medium of the rock stuff and the softer intentions on "Maybe Katie," a song in defense of the date-worthiness of the single mother. BNL doesn't try to make political statements on "Everything to Everyone," which is good because it's never been their forte. They simply stick to social

satire, like the somewhat-overdone snipes at Hollywood on "Celebrity," and other moderately poignant personal missives.

It's not a complete success in the venture to reinvent, though, because just as the main single off "Stunt", "One Week," was a bit of a throwaway by BNL's standards -- meaningless, bubbly, and catchy to the point of irritation -- the track "Shopping" is in the same vein. "Shopping" sounds like there was a base for some sort of silly-yet-smart satire of consumer culture, but it becomes a repetitive, pointless song that will have most fans -- at least those of more than two years -- skipping to track seven.

"Everything to Everyone" is blessedly unaffected by the incompleteness of "Shopping," and goes on to give BNL a completely new face. What will keep long-time and new fans coming, though, is that it's not an unrecognizable one. The band manages to make their music a new experience every time, without letting the material on "Gordon," "Maybe You Should Drive," and "Born on a Pirate Ship" -- the music of their early career that was so important to their development -- fade into history.

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There's always something to do in Funtown, USA

By DAN MASON

Adviser to the Flashlight

Every week I hear my students complain about how dull life is at Mansfield University. Mansfield is a small town and there's nothing to do.

Frequently there are *Flashlight* articles bemoaning the fact that there is nothing to do. There are other articles reporting on events that took place and others informing students of events to take place in the future.

I am writing to offer a radical suggestion. I know it's extreme to the nth degree. It doesn't cost a lot of money. Anyone can do it and certainly anyone at college has the skills to do it.

Next weekend, take a trip to the past. Take a trip to the future. Fight the enemies of America. Spend time as a creature other than human. Scare yourself. Fall in love. Plan the perfect crime. Get married. Get born. Die. Relive your first kiss. Anticipate your last kiss. Improve your mind.

Read a book!

I know. You are all shaking your head and moaning. "What's that old man think he's telling me?" I hear you cry.

There are thousands of books in the library in North Hall. Probably fewer than one in a thousand is going to be to your liking, but that one will more than make up for the others. I panned for gold in the wilderness areas of Wyoming as a young man. I probably panned a million grains of sand for every pin-head sized flake of gold I found. Those tons of sand didn't discourage me. I knew there was gold in them hills. Don't let the millions of pages of books you are not interested in discourage you from looking for those nuggets.

Don't like the campus library? Too many reference books and not enough fiction? Check out the town library. It's a pleasant walk, less than half a mile through the peaceful streets of Mansfield, down N. Academy St, across E Elmira St. to the corner of North Main. The ladies will be more than happy to help you find what you are looking for.

If neither of these options is to your liking, there are millions of books available on the Internet for next to nothing.

Stephen King and Tom Clancy, romances, travel books, detective books, comedies and tragedies are available for pennies to buy and a couple dollars to ship. It's hard to go wrong.

Still not interested? Still too much money? Try hunting. Not endangered critters, but books. There is a movement called BookCrossing. Members give their books away. You can search for a specific book and ask the member to send it to you or you can look for free books around town or around campus.

I have dropped more than a few books around campus myself. They each have a "Free Book" sticker on the front. They are free books.

Guys, the ladies love to be read to. Find yourself a good book and an interesting and interested lady and snuggle together and read. My two favorite books to begin the experiment are "Dracula" (nothing like comforting a lady who doesn't want to admit she's scared.) and "Winnie the Pooh" (Forget the Disney crap. Get the real thing. No lady can resist it. She will love you forever.).

Ladies, find something to do and let your guy read you a story. It's a wonderful way to while away some time in this town where "there's nothing to do. If you like to knit, paint, hook rugs, do your nails, or do your boyfriend's nails, you can do it while he's reading. Or you can trade positions. Maybe you like to read and he wants to clean his hunting gear, pick the mud out of his football cleats, or finish that working 1/24 scale model Corvette he's been working on for the last 16 months.

Reading is something you can do together. There are only so many football games to go to. Your body will only tolerate so much abuse from drugs and alcohol. Your wallet will only stretch so far. Find a good book and a warm place to read it and you can improve your mind while not destroying your body. You can have a great time exploring not only the world but the universe and more without spending a lot of money. You can do something with your significant other and help him or her to grow with you.

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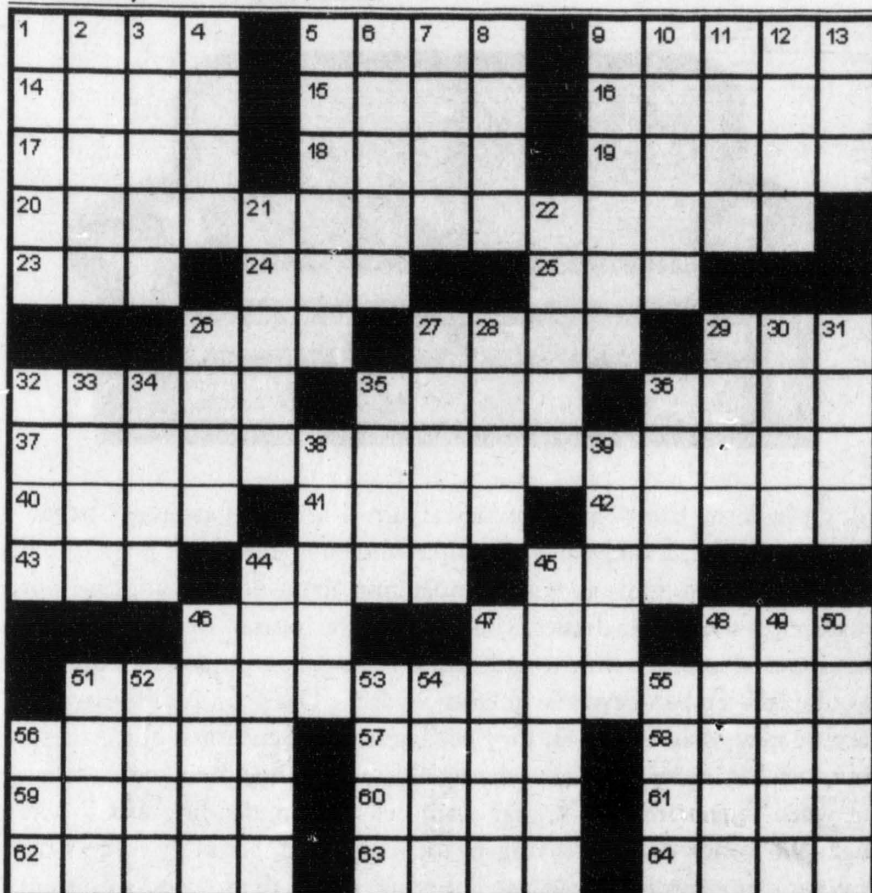
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9. Land or sea follower
14. Stage item
15. Tom Joad, e. g.
16. Cell phone option

Down

17. Needle box
18. Major bear in the sky
19. Got up
20. Repetitive big shoulders town song
23. Mayday alt
24. X in Rome
25. Rent

26. Not his or hers
27. MU footballer Sean
29. Young woman for short
32. Excuse for court
35. Rumanian parliament
36. Days of _____
37. Repetitive self descriptive song title
40. Woes
41. Inquires
42. Smart guy
43. Give the Devil his _____
44. Like Allen Hall
45. Bar rocks
46. Cuckoo relative
47. Ont. Coll. of the Arts
48. She's mates
51. Repetitive Big Apple song
56. Fruit in patch way down yonder
57. Small amount
58. The E in HOMES
59. Verdi work
60. Football penalty indicator
61. Computer language acronym
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63. Walkman medium
64. Clancy hero

Down

1. Glasses for short
2. Prefix meaning straight or correct
3. Mr. Armstrong
4. Heroic tale
5. Professional wrestling eye attacks



By Dan Mason

6. Ohio rubber center
7. Speedy chip
8. Nah's opposite
9. Dental appliance
10. Diamond measurement
11. Full of anticipation
12. Mexican money
13. Before to Dr. Sornberger
21. Toys location
22. Hip related
26. Wading bird
27. Bloomsburg mascot
28. French friends
29. Medical amount
30. Red Viking
31. Streamlet
32. Surrounded by
33. Remarkable person or thing
34. Small piece of land surrounded by water
35. Wipe the furniture
36. Xmas log
38. Donkey Kong hero
39. South American parrot
44. Nevertheless
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48. Equine
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Last Week's Solution



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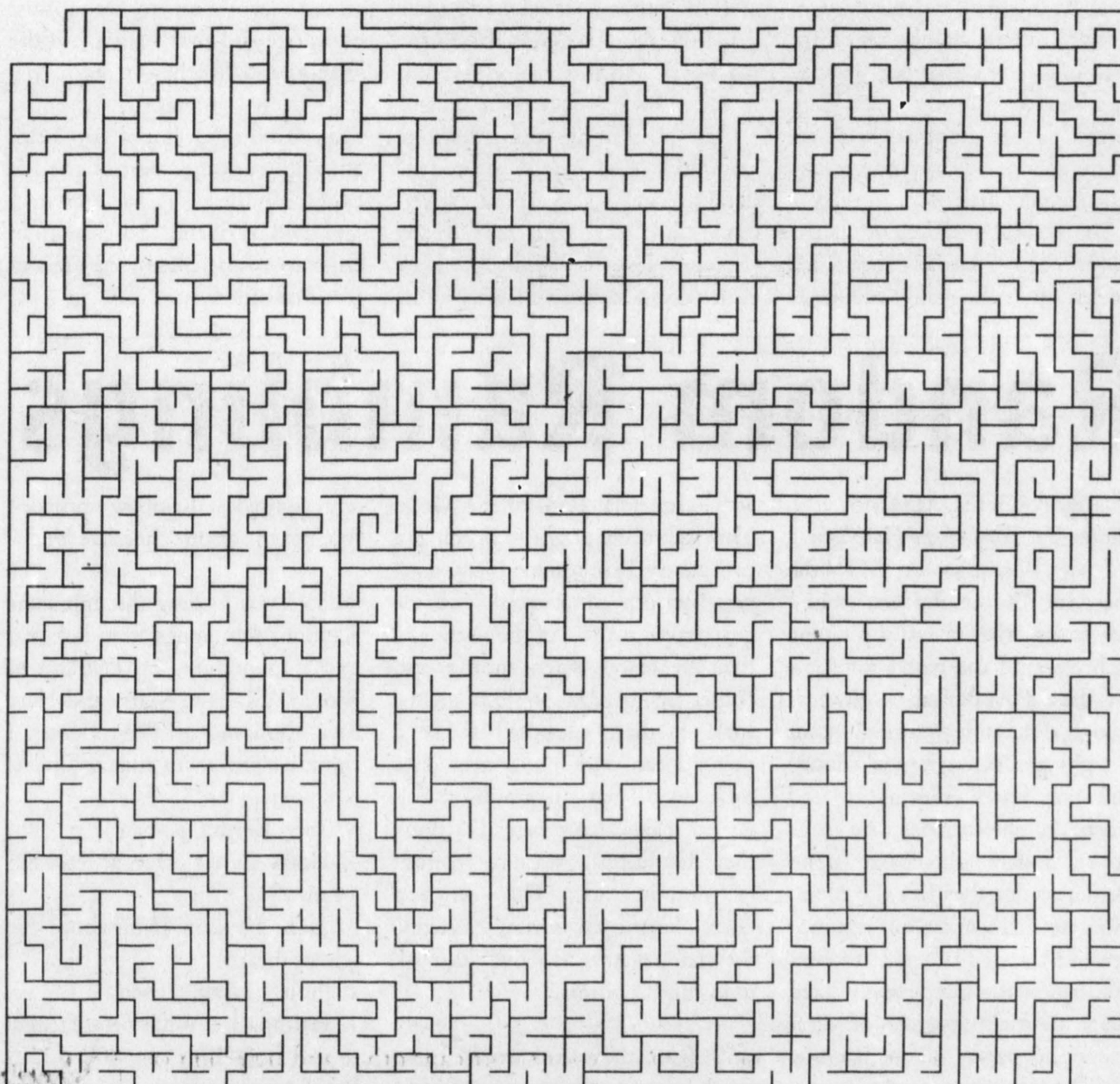
It's for past Key Club members and any one new who wants to make a difference.

Meetings are Mondays at 5 p.m. in 312 Alumni!



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Get lost!



Exploring reality in The Matrix trilogy

By JUSTIN WEINER
Michigan Daily

"Everything that has a beginning has an end." The tagline for "The Matrix: Revolutions" refers to the conclusion of the story of Neo and the war between humans and machines. This statement, however, contains deeper implications. The third "Matrix" movie will also present the Wachowski Brothers' final philosophical statement on the nature of life and reality.

When it was released in 1999, "The Matrix" asked some very thought-provoking questions. What is the nature of reality? Is it what we personally sense and believe, or is it an objective truth? This did not always seem like such a difficult question. What we saw and felt in the world seemed consistent with truth and reality.

"The Matrix," however, challenged this belief, because that which one felt and saw in the matrix was not consistent with what one actually did. For instance, Neo sees, feels and thinks he is working a standard 9-to-5 job, but in reality, his entire world is a mere computer simulation. Reality, according to "The Matrix," is thus an objective state, and it is not always consistent with our perceptions.

The second installment in the trilogy, "The Matrix: Reloaded," expands upon the reality theme. It

questions why being outside of the matrix is preferable to enjoying the computer-simulated fantasy. The outside or "real" world is, after all, a harsh place to live. Food is scarce, and the threat of death is constant. What is wrong with allowing your-



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self to indulge in the fantasy of the matrix and live in the computer generated world?

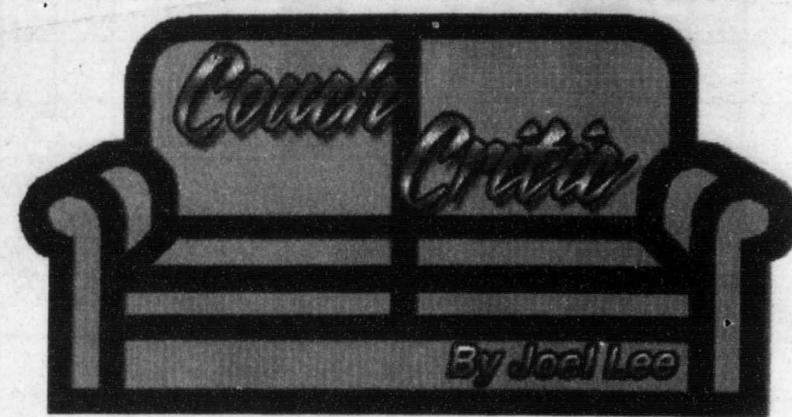
"Reloaded" offers several explanations to this question. First, the Wachowski Brothers explore a theme of independence. Morpheus and the other revolutionaries take pride in their freedom from the machines, and their ability to control their movements in the matrix.

This goes along with themes of humanity and life. "Reloaded" demonstrates that there is an inherent good in living and being human. This is exemplified by Neo's decision to save Trinity at the

end of the film. Instead of sacrificing Trinity and allowing the human race to subsist in the matrix, Neo chooses to save her and subject humans to an uncertain future. One can mull over the implications of this action for a long time. Neo's choice makes it clear, however, that human life involves much more than simulated or perceived sensation. There is an emotional component that makes life outside of the matrix better than life in the computer-generated world.

"Revolutions" will conclude the "Matrix" trilogy this Wednesday. The Wachowski Brothers describe the film by saying "Whereas

'Reloaded' is about life, 'Revolutions' addresses death." What does this mean? Could the Wachowski Brothers be planning an apocalyptic ending to their story? Despite this statement and the aforementioned tagline, I would not expect to see a tidy, complete end to the trilogy. If the Wachowski Brothers remain true to their previous themes, "Revolutions" will portray death as simply another part of the life cycle. The death of some characters will probably be shown in contrast to the continued life and birth of others.



I don't hate the latest Saves the Day album. I'm one of around 3 people that doesn't, but, frankly, all you people who complain about it are dumb because it's good. Quit all your complaining about how he sings now or whatever, it's not that drastic, you can remove yourself from your high-chair now because it's time to quit being a baby about it. You do not need to complain if a band evolves. You say Saves the Day sounds different now because they "sold out," yet, they got big during Stay What You Are, so, how then, or, more precisely, why would they change their sound to get big when they were already big? And, hell, quit pretending like they're huge. We're not exactly reliving Beatlemania here. Secondly, what's the deal with proclaiming the latest Thursday album the greatest thing put out since Led Zeppelin's "untitled", usually called IV? For real people, I enjoy it, but this drooling over it is a little ridiculous; it could be packaged as a double album with Full Collapse and nobody would notice. I realize these albums didn't just come out and everything, but it's taken a while for me to digest all the reactions. There's this very strange hypocrisy in (warning: generic term about to be used) underground music that does not allow for a band to do anything except remain stagnant. So, somehow staying what they are is the greatest thing a band can do? Right. So, somehow, the Beatles would have been better off reliving "I Wanna Hold Your Hand" and not making *Rubber Soul*, *Sgt. Pepper's*, *The White Album*, etc.? Quit all this pompous crap; don't tell me a band sold out because I don't care. Tell me you don't like an album because somehow the sound does not appeal to you, but don't tell me you don't like an album because an evolution in the band makes them more popular which, apparently, alters how the music comes out of the speaker and into your ear. The term "sold out" has no relevance anymore except to people trying to live the "punker than thou" lifestyle, but they are also the same people that will tell you hair dye affects one's punk-o-meter (example: blue hair = 3.4/10 punk rock points). It has to end somewhere so... matter again, instead of all this crap about underground.

Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ I saw this show on MTV the other day, "Room Raiders," and I have to say, they're really scraping the bottom of the barrel for show ideas these days. Basically, a guy goes through three different girls' rooms (or a girl goes through guys' rooms) while they watch from a van, and then he (or she) decides who to go out on a date with based upon whether or not they like the room. *rolls eyes* If I worked out relationships like that, I'd be single forever! Well...unless the guy actually liked having to kick mounds of dirty clothes and papers out of the way before he can even open the door.

★ Commercial Rant of the Week: This isn't really a rant so much as a completely blank stare: I just don't get that Jeep commercial with the guy parked on top of the rock, and then he leaves when another girl comes up to park *her* Jeep on the rock. Is there supposed to be a point? I can park my Sentra on a rock...who'll pay me a million dollars to make a commercial? I think they should put a warning in front of certain ads: "The Surgeon General strongly advises changing the channel now to reduce the risk of losing IQ points."

★ I think the world would be so much better if everything was frosted

with sprinkles. Rainbow sprinkles, too, not the crappy chocolate kind.

★ So I was looking through some Random Ramblings from last year and I found my Top Five List of People I'd Like to Marry and Have Ten Thousand of Their Babies. I think it's just about time to update it, so here goes:

5. Toby Keith (Yee-haw!)
4. Harry Potter (Hey, at least he's 14 now!)
3. Isaac Hanson (Mmmmbop *this*, schweetheart!)
2. Jimmy Fallon (*drools*)
1. Hal Sparks (What better reason to watch "I Love the 80's Strikes Back" for eight hours in a row?)

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Movie Review: *Kill Bill: Vol. 1*

By ANDRE BENNETT

Special to The Flashlight

There is nothing I can really say about *Kill Bill: Volume One* that hasn't already been said. It's an action masterpiece, a big, bold and bloody picture short on convoluted plot mechanics and long on action. The story is little more than a line on which to hang loud, fast and nasty action sequences. I say nasty because, while the violence in this film is very stylized, it isn't the slick, clean style of action movie violence seen in most action movies today. No, the action sequences in *Volume One* are drenched, gleefully so, with more blood than any other American action film to date. Heads and limbs are severed liberally, with such frequency that it ceases to be alarming after a while.

And yet, the rest of the movie seems to exude the same sort of glee, even when blood isn't being spilled. More than being a tale of revenge, *Kill Bill* is an unmistakable labor of love for its writer and director, Quentin Tarantino, following up his previous film, the critically acclaimed yet financially underwhelming *Jackie Brown* (which I actually preferred over *Pulp Fiction* and

Reservoir Dogs).

Watching this film, I felt sheer, unbridled joy radiate from every frame. Clearly, all involved had a blast making this picture, and it shows, from the rambunctious action sequences to the hidden references meant for diehard action film geeks.

The story is an exercise in utter simplicity. Uma Thurman is "the Bride," a former assassin who retired after getting pregnant. At her wedding, her former colleagues, led by the title character (David Carradine), ambush her and kill the entire wedding party, including her unborn child. The Bride survives, however, and remains in a coma. Four years later, she awakens with a plate in her head and a burning desire for revenge. And that's it. The rest of the movie sees her begin



Uma Thurman and Lucy Liu star in Quentin Tarantino's latest film.

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her quest for vengeance, striking out at two of the five members of the Deadly Viper Assassination Squad (DiVAS). First, we see her pay a visit to Vernita Green (Vivica A. Fox), now a devoted wife and mother. After a battle that is put on temporary hold when Vernita's daughter arrives from school, we go backwards, watching the Bride travel to Japan to eliminate the first Viper on her list, O-Ren Ishii (an excellent Lucy Liu). In a striking anime

sequence created by Production I.G., O-Ren's origin is explained. A child of mixed Chinese-American and Japanese descent, O-Ren soldiered on after witnessing and avenging her parents' brutal murder to become the first female head of the entire Japanese yakuza... racial background notwithstanding. Of course, once the Bride arrives in Tokyo, none of that matters. All that makes a difference is who is best with a blade.

Considering this is just the first half of the film, it's pretty obvious that the Bride will best her foes and return for seconds in *Volume Two*, but watching her exact her revenge is great fun whether you know the outcome or not. Martial arts advisors Yuen Wo-Ping (*The Matrix*) and Sonny Chiba (*The Street Fighter* himself, who also turns in a fine performance as a retired swordsmith) craft blistering, first-rate battles and Tarantino makes the most of a great cast, including Michael Madsen, Daryl Hannah, and Japanese actress Chiaki Kuriyama as O-

Ren's bodyguard GoGo Yubari, a teenage hellion armed with a flail and a violent streak a few miles wide.

However, this movie was made for Uma Thurman. Literally, it was written for her, and when she had to drop out because of her pregnancy, Tarantino put the entire production on hold, costing him Warren Beatty as Bill. It's a good thing he didn't recast the Bride character, because no one could have topped Thurman in terms of physicality, devotion, and sheer cool. I could swear that

she channels

Steve McQueen in certain scenes, such as when she cleans up after her meeting with Vernita. Her role is mostly written with gestures and action, and Uma deftly handles each move and mannerism with careful precision, even when cutting loose with a katana blade against eighty-eight Kato-masked fighters.

Thurman's an

actress of such wide range that you can completely buy her in this role, whether she's slicing and dicing at the House of Five Leaves, cheerfully chatting it up with Sonny Chiba's Hattori Hanzo, or mourning the loss of her baby, in a powerful scene of unexpected emotion. It bears saying that Uma's performance is one of the greatest in any action movie.

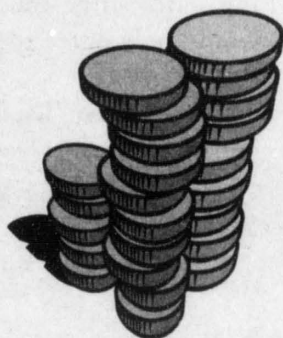
The movie's biggest flaw, however, is that it is incomplete. Tarantino's original film was well over three hours; Miramax decided to cut the film in half and release the final chapter in February. If there is a silver lining in this decision, it is that Tarantino has the freedom to release his movie without leaving anything on the cutting room floor. A five-month wait is a small price to pay for complete artistic freedom. Besides, I have every confidence that *Volume Two* will be worth the wait. Simply put, *Kill Bill: Volume One* is action movie perfection, and one of my favorite movies of the year.



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Politics and Opinion: *Every right to complain*

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

As I was working on the news headlines for this week's issue, I read about a recent poll in which the nation is again split fifty-fifty, as we were before the last presidential election. This got me to thinking about the Electoral College, and again, as had occurred after the last election, all the bad memories came flowing forth. Now, I know there are those of you out there who are probably thinking that we Democrats should get over it. As you would have it, Bush won the election fair and square and we should quit whining. Well, he may have won fair and square, but because I am a voter, and given the fact that I voted in the last election

(can you guess who I voted for) I have every right to complain, so here we go. This is why I always encourage people to vote, because when a situation such as this arises, you are justified in your complaining. But I digress.

The point is that the Electoral College is an antiquated piece of political machinery that has outlived its usefulness. It was designed in a time in which our founding fathers didn't think that a fledgling nation of primarily uneducated farmers was fit to choose the president. Now, there are those who believe that the modern voter, is no more informed than Washington, Adams, or Jefferson's rural neighbors, and believe instead that the Electoral College is still a valuable

asset to our Republic. I disagree, for the simple fact that the average voter (and this has been proven) is far more attuned to the political climate than ever before in our history. In our media-down-your-throat culture, it is impossible to escape the constant barrage of political ads and information that befalls us. It may be true that what we see on television, and read about in the newspapers (in regards to politics anyway) is nothing more than personal attacks and innuendo. This still does not negate the fact that many voters research the agendas and platforms of the men and women who appear on their election ballots, and have a general idea as to what the candidates stand for.

In the last presidential election, Al

Gore won more popular votes than the "Dubya," and yet, look who gets to play Commander-in-Chief on board Air Force One, and in the White House. I have an abundant faith in the ability of the American people to choose their president, and I think a Constitutional amendment should be proposed to outlaw this antiquated piece of political garbage. It is no wonder we have such a small voter turnout in this country, because as has been shown in the last election, our vote for president is in essence worthless. Instead, a group of politically chosen electors, and judges decides the fate of the world's most powerful nation.

I felt betrayed by the last election, and although I do not agree with it,

this is the law, and George Bush is the rightful president. This does not mean however, that we have to continue in the vicious circle of Electoral College voting, and we should change it. It frightens me that we as a nation are again careening down that dangerous road in which a few votes could determine who the next President of the United States is, and I pray that we are spared of the debacle that ensued in the 2000 election. Perhaps this time we will elect a president who we as citizens do not need a translator to understand what the heck he is trying to say. Only time will tell who the next resident of the White House will be, and it should be a wild ride.

BSU PANEL DISCUSSION

DIVERSITY AND CONCERNS AT MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY

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Until students and faculty spoke out at rallies across the state, the SSHE negotiators allowed a full month to go by (Sept. 5- Oct. 3) with no meetings whatsoever. Thus, the statement that "...the State System's bargaining team is committed to continuing to work hard to reach a settlement as soon as possible" is highly questionable: their commitment to meet more regularly was only found after a strike authorization vote and after rallies across the state.

Furthermore, the statement that students would have to pay "double-digit tuition increases each of the next three years in order to fund the contract settlement" is totally inaccurate. Faculty salaries in recent years have risen only at the levels of inflation, which is not the case for senior managers of the State System, led by increases in the Chancellor's office of 15-percent. The faculty proposal calls for no across-the-board salary increases in the first year of the contract, and given the retirement of senior faculty and their replacement by junior faculty, total faculty costs in the first year of the contract are likely to go down, not up. No credible case can be made that faculty salaries are the cause of tuition hikes-in fact the failure of the state system to get state government to fund the universities is a major reason why your tuition has risen.

The Chancellor also asserts in her

email to you that "...negotiations typically have continued past the expiration of a contract and well into the fall semester." This ignores the obvious: working without a contract is very unusual. Very few unions work without a formal contract in place, and this statement comes close to implying that it is some sort of "standard procedure" or "typical behavior." We--at this point--are willing to work with an expired contract because we want a fair settlement to everyone, and only as a last resort would we go on strike. Ninety percent of the faculty did not turn out on a whim to vote for strike authorization. They did not turn in a 95% approval for strike authorization just to make a statement. The lack of progress at the bargaining table is why the faculty was forced to go through the process to authorize a strike.

Finally, the Chancellor implies that faculty could cross the picket line once a strike begins, arguing that it somehow is a matter of "honoring a commitment." You should know that the faculty is very united on this matter, and the votes mentioned in the preceding paragraph tell another story about the likelihood of many professors crossing a picket line. It is our very commitment to the quality of our students' education that has forced us to this point, and we cannot watch the reputation of our universities diminished, and the future value of our students' degrees whittled away.

You should also know your faculty is deeply committed to you and to our universities, and we have been demonstrating that commitment collectively for more years than we can count--and we are proud that you decided to attend our universities just as we are proud of the half-million alumni whom we taught and whom we value.

On one point, however, both APSCUF and the State System are in agreement: classes cannot be held off-campus in the event of a strike. We would hope that if a strike were to occur that it would be as short as possible. But meeting off-campus exposes both university and union to liability that is unacceptable to either.

We hope no strike is necessary. We are cautiously optimistic that the limited progress made in the last negotiations session will continue, and that we would be able to achieve a fair and just accord at the negotiations table. For a balanced view--and in order to be fair-minded--we urge you to check out the web site of both APSCUF and the State System. Remember, it's your education.

Our positions:

<http://www.iup-apsucf.org/students.htm>

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Sincerely,
William E. Fulmer
State APSCUF President

This Week in Sports: College football frenzy

By JAMES SHAPPELL
Flashlight Sports Writer

Oklahoma has cemented their spot at the top of the polls, at least temporarily as the Sooners cruised to a victory over the Cowboys of Oklahoma State, 52-9.

Obviously, everyone assumes that the Sooners will cruise to a National Championship Game appearance, but the big questions appears to be, against who? Well, let me try to shine some light on the rest of the College Football Season.

Starting at the top seems to be the easiest thing to do at this point. Oklahoma has three regular season games remaining, including hosting a Texas A&M team that knocked off the Sooners just a year ago. That won't happen this year, with the Sooners clicking on both offense and promoting the best defensive team in college football. Baylor will be a joke game for the number one team in the nation. The finale could be the biggest challenge for the team that has appeared vulner-

able only once this year, against Alabama, a 20-13 win for Oklahoma. The biggest key for the Crimson Tide was a balance of a good running game and a solid passing game, with a good defensive scheme. Texas Tech will bring one of the top passing games in the country to the table when the Sooners visit Lubbock, and don't be surprised if that game becomes an old west shootout.

If Oklahoma survives the mild three week stretch ahead of them, they will face Nebraska, Kansas State or Missouri in the Big 12 Title Game. The fate of these teams will be told in the last few weeks of the season, as Kansas State will play Nebraska and Missouri, pretty much determining the future of the conference. I would give them a grade of an A- for getting through the rest of the season unbeaten.

USC has been playing extremely well since being knocked off early in the season by an upstart Cal team. If possible, their road to the national title might be easier

than Oklahoma's, because they don't have a conference championship game. In their way still stands a weak Arizona team, and two teams with winning records in UCLA and Oregon State. The latter of the two may give the Trojans a challenge, but I see an appearance in the title game ahead for the men of Troy. Grade, A-.

Florida State has been playing as well as any team in the country over the last few weeks, and it showed with their stomping of Notre Dame this past week. But, as I've said for the past two seasons, the Irish have been overrated and Tyrone Willingham has made them believe and play above their potential. The Seminoles have a struggling Clemson team this week, then a North Carolina State team that has looked very strong at points during the season. They will need their A game to knock off the Seminoles.

If they survive these two challenges, the Florida Gators and a trip to the swamp await the Seminoles, and a possible upset in

the making. Grade, C.

LSU has made a strong push forward to the number four spot in the rankings, but a tough road awaits the Tigers, as it did for many of the others. The same Alabama team that has been under-achieving all season, but that did give the Oklahoma Sooners a challenge, will host the Tigers in two weeks. Ole Miss will host the Tigers in three weeks, and Eli Manning has been playing as well as any quarterback in the nation. They will wrap up the season in Baton Rouge, hosting the Razorbacks of Arkansas. They also have the downfall of having the SEC Title Game in front of them should they survive these games. The front-runners to oppose them are Georgia, Florida and Tennessee. Grade, D+.

Virginia Tech made great strides to get back into the National Championship fight with a huge win over Miami this week. Their schedule is tough to look at, with dog-fights in store against Pittsburgh, Boston College and Virginia. A game against Temple is

sandwiched in there, but the road will be a tough one for the Hokies. Grade, C-.

The Buckeyes of Ohio State University have made it tough on themselves all year long, despite close wins over teams like North Carolina State, Bowling Green and Iowa. Ohio State still has three opponents left on the schedule ranked in the top 15 in the nation, with Michigan State, Purdue and Michigan left on tap for the Buckeyes. I don't see my favorite team surviving all of these challenges, although I think they match-up well against them all. Grade, F.

Miami made a repeat trip to the national championship game very difficult with a pounding at the hands of Virginia Tech. The Hurricanes do have two easy games ahead with Syracuse and Rutgers, but they will finish Panthers of Pittsburgh. I just don't see the Hurricanes charging all the way back into the National Title hunt. Grade, A- to win them all, D to get to the National Title Game.

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Picks of the Week**Week 10**

	Chad Landers (55-43)	Jennifer Nelson (54-44)	Gregory Pellegrino (43-55)	Mike Peters (57-41)	Sarah Steerner (58-40)
Falcons @ Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants
Cardinals @ Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Cardinals	Cardinals	Steelers
Seahawks @ Redskins	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks
Bucs @ Panthers	Bucs	Panthers	Bucs	Panthers	Panthers
Colts @ Jaguars	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts
Texans @ Bengals	Bengals	Texans	Bengals	Texans	Texans
Bears @ Lions	Lions	Lions	Bears	Bears	Bears
Dolphins @ Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Dolphins
Browns @ Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs
Vikings @ Chargers	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Jets @ Oakland	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets
Bills @ Cowboys	Cowboys	Bills	Bills	Cowboys	Bills
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Field Hockey: The Bloomsburg University field hockey team won its 12th Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship with a 2-0 win over Shippensburg University on Nov. 1. Both teams will now await word on the NCAA playoffs which start next week.

Football: East Stroudsburg's senior wide receiver John Jeffries had a career highs with 11 catches and 117 yards receiving which also included a 27-yard touchdown reception in the Warriors 28-24 win over Millersville on Nov. 1.

Soccer: Ashlie Regazzi of Clarion was the key player in her team's first ever conference win, a 3-2 triumph over Shippensburg. Trailing 2-1 in the season finale, Regazzi scored at the 78-minute mark to tie the game, then posted the game winner in the 88th minute. For Clarion, it ended a 22-game conference drought since the program began last season.

PSAC Soccer playoffs: The 2003 PSAC soccer playoffs will get under way this week, as the women's quarterfinals will begin Tuesday and the men's semifinals are set for Wednesday. The women's playoffs feature the No. 6 seed, Lock Haven, at No. 3 Kutztown, and No. 5 Edinboro at No. 4 Millersville. Slippery Rock, the No. 1 seed, and West Chester, the No. 2 seed, have earned byes for the quarterfinals. Both contests are slated for a 1 p.m. start.

For more information from around the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference visit the website at www.psacsports.org

Soccer concludes 2003 season at West Chester

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

After so many history making performances, the Mansfield University women's soccer team ended their second season of NCAA Division II competition on Nov. 1.

The Mounties ended their inaugural season in the PSAC with a road game at West Chester University on Nov. 1. West Chester, the second place team in the PSAC, defeated the Mounties 6-0 in their final game of the season before heading off to playoffs.

The Mounties' offense never got on the board and the defense surrendered three goals a piece in each half. Alison Luberski scored three times for West Chester, her first goal coming 20 minutes into the game off a Julie Karcher assist. A minute later, it was Karcher's turn to put points on the board, scoring West Chester's second goal of the game off a Casey McKinney assist. With only one minute left in the first half, West Chester increased their lead to 3-0 when Kristen Guacione scored off a Maureen Quigley assist.

In the second half, West Chester's offense picked up right where they left off in the first half. West Chester led the Mounties 4-0 only a minute into the second half when Luberski added her second goal of the game from a Heather Connelly assist. Luberski completed her hat trick 15 minutes into the second half, scoring on a Nicole Thurston assist. The Mounties held West Chester to a 5-0 lead until 15 minutes left in the game. Thurston scored unassisted, increasing West Chester's lead to 6-0.

The Mountaineer goalkeepers, sophomore Julie Miller and freshman Nicole Rodweller, split time in goal, as they have the entire season. Rodweller recorded six saves and Miller had four stops for the Mounties. Miller ended the season with 76 saves and Rodweller finished the season with a team high 85 saves. Rodweller recorded one shut-out this year, with Miller recording the other two of the season. Mansfield finished its first season of PSAC competition with an overall record of 4-10-2 and a PSAC record of 2-9.



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Senior Val Shaw (2) ended the 2003 season as the Mountie leader in assist while playing in all 16 games.

Earlier in the week, the Mounties celebrated their first senior day in team history when they honored their lone senior Val Shaw on Oct. 29 at Myers Field. Shaw came to Mansfield University from Harrisburg, PA and is the first graduating senior to receive this honor. Shaw ended the season as the Mounties' leader in assists, while playing in all 16 games and starting in six. Shaw's parents, Robin and Jeff, were in attendance to see their daughter honored and play in her last collegiate soccer game.

"I'm honored to be the first senior recognized," Shaw said. "I just hope that I laid a good foundation for the team and years to come." Shaw hopes to continue her studies in sports nutrition and possibly study at the graduate level.

The Mounties lost the game to the Kutztown University Golden Bears, 3-0. The Golden Bears shot 21 times on goal, 14 coming in the first half. Kelly Lau scored the Golden Bears' first goal only eight minutes into the contest off a Lindsay Will assist. Ten minutes later, Chrissy Jack netted the Golden Bears' second goal of the game.

At the start of the second half, the Mounties surrendered the Golden Bears' final goal to Jeannine Brea. The Mounties held the Golden Bears to fewer shots in the second half, but they could not put

the ball in the net. Miller made 13 saves in goal for the Mounties.

Before their loss against West Chester, the Mounties' record stood at 4-9-2 overall and 2-8 in the PSAC.

The Mounties ended the season with 12 total goals. Sophomore Jamie Heller led the team with four goals and one assist, starting in all 16 games. Sophomore Nicole Nycz, freshman Erin Drum and sophomore Megan Colbey each ended the season tied with two goals a piece. Sophomore Erica Madden and freshman Amy Dominick each had one goal on the season.

Shaw led the team with two assists; with a handful of players all tied with one assist a piece. Heller led the team with 33 shots, Dominick had 20 shots and Drum had 16 shots.

The Mounties won their first ever PSAC game on Sept. 27 at Myers Field against Indiana University of PA., 2-1. The Mountaineers increased their season total of PSAC wins to two when they defeated Clarion University on Oct. 11 at Myers Field, 3-0.

Although the Mounties second season was not a winning one, they were within three goals or less in 11 of their 16 games this season. They played three overtime games this season, losing only once to the University of California PA, 1-0 and tying the other two.

Mansfield honors athletes

Student-athletes were recognized for their academic success during a luncheon on Oct. 29 hosted by Mansfield University and President John Halstead. The athletes must have achieved a 3.0 or higher grade point average during the fall and spring semesters of 2002-2003. Each scholar-athlete hosted a staff or faculty member who showed a significant impact on his or her achievements off the field. The following student-athletes were honored:

Baseball - Justin Ferguson, Bryan King, Travis Lepperd, Marty Rakaczewski, Stuart Sumner, Jason Manwaring, and Josh Rearick.

Basketball (Women's) - Allyson Buss, Krista Deats, Nadia Gauronsky, Julia Krajnik, Rachel Rider and Alison Tagliaferri.

Basketball (Men's) - Jason Clayton and Jason Mattern.

Cross Country - Adam Keir, Charity Learn, Sarah Beth MacIntyre and Theresa Stanford.

Field Hockey - Amanda Bliss, Ashley Celaschi, marci Lippert, and Heather Long.

Football - Bob Evans, David Ferzer, Al Gultis, Dan Holland, Luke Alex, Joel Frick, Robert Geiger and Corey Mishura.

Soccer - Stephanie Haulman, Erica Madden, April Mandeville and Nina Lucero.

Softball - Kay Canfield, Marissa Kosydar, Elizabeth Lyon, Kristen Dean, Heather Long and Shannon McDonnell.

Swimming - Kelly Coyle, Kelsey Hogan, Katie Houck and Charity Learn.

Track and Field - Jon Holtz, Ben Israel, Adam Keir, Charity Learn, Sarah Moore and Theresa Stanford.



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Melissa Recchiuti helped the 400-yard relay team take first place with their meet against the Huskies of Bloomsburg.

Mansfield swimming falls short to Huskies of Bloomsburg 109-74

By JEANNETTE ESTEVES

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University's swim team fell to Bloomsburg University with a score of 109-74, but Coach Danita Fox feels there is room for improvement.

The Bloomsburg meet took place Nov. 1 with Mansfield placing first in the 200 Backstroke by Abbe Tipton (2:27.88), the 200 Breaststroke by Jill Netterman (2:57.15), the 400-yard relay by Kelly Coyle, Diana Daniel, and Melissa Recchiuti (4:32.05), and second in the 500-yard free (5:40.16), 1,000-yard free (11:50.42) by Andrea Popovic.

"It was a good meet regardless if we lost," Popovic said. "Bloomsburg had a good team, and a larger team, which was to their advantage. Our team is doing well so far."

According to Coach Fox, this was their third meet of the semester and in each meet they attend they have been able to walk away realizing that they are getting closer to their mid-semester goal, which is to qualify at the IUP meet for their PSAC conference meet.

"We kind of look at them as dress rehearsals for our IUP meet, which we have some women that are looking to qualify for our conference meet," Fox said. "Andrea in particular had a good race at Bloomsburg, which made her seven seconds faster than she was the previous weekend, which brings her nine seconds away from the qualify-

ing time."

Bloomsburg is a team of "dominating the scoring side", they often stop scoring their athletes during their races becoming exhibition races or they end swimming for time and not for points.

"They give us the points so the final score is not like in basketball where it can get 70 to 2, they won't run it like that," Fox said.

And because of this, Popovic was Mansfield's highest placing swimmer in the whole meet, even though Tipton, and Netterman placed first.

When asked what her overall opinion of the Bloomsburg meet was, Fox said they finished as expected.

"Bloomsburg is a much established and faster team than we are. I didn't think we would take so much force to their number one, two, and three, but overall I know they would hands down win the meet," Fox said.

Fox feels that the team is growing in size and that the talent is young.

"The freshman and sophomores have not hit their stride at this point. We have been faster but not this big, this is the biggest number we have ever been," Fox said. "I think the bottom line is that the women do not quit they don't give up just because something is hard or difficult and that's what separates them from those who want to swim and those who don't."

This Week in Mansfield Sports							
Mansfield Sports Weekly	Wednesday 11/5	Thursday 11/6	Friday 11/7	Saturday 11/8	Sunday 11/9	Monday 11/10	Tuesday 11/11
Cross Country				NCAA Regionals Lock Haven			
Football				Bloomsburg Away			
Soccer							
Swimming				Lock Haven 1 p.m.			

Mountie runners finish in the middle of the pack at PSAC Championships

The Mansfield University men's and women's cross country teams displayed a stellar performance as they competed at the PSAC Championship at Bloomsburg University on Nov. 1.

Both teams placed in the middle of competition at Saturday's event. Leading the way for the men was freshman sensation Chris Cummings. He placed fourth in overall competition at 26:11. Cummings finish was the highest placing for the men in the Mounties' school history. Josh Wooten finished at 26:49 putting him in the top ten for the men's race. Overall, the Mounties finished ninth.

Leading the way for the women were Rachel Hall and Charity Learn. Hall posted a 23:44 while Learn ran 23:50, placing them eighth and tenth spots, respectively. The women's team placed eighth overall at the PSAC Championship.

In other PSAC results, the Lock Haven University Bald Eagles' men's team won the PSAC Championship for the men. Chris Cowan of the Bald Eagles crossed the line first with a "course-record time of 25:27." This marked the first time in 11 years that the Edinboro Fighting Scots did not

win the championship for the men. This was Lock Haven's first PSAC men's championship. The Bald Eagles had five runners finish in the top 13 runners of the pack. Joe Wiegner, Ryan Blood and Billy Buckenmeyer were among the finishers for Lock Haven. The Bloomsburg Huskies and the Millersville Marauders tied for third place for the men.

The women's team finished 11th overall for Lock Haven. Kat Davey, Jana Kauffman and Leigh Miller helped aide the Lady Eagles. The Edinboro women's team won the championship as they had five runners in the top 20 for the competition. Indiana University of Pennsylvania finished second overall for the women. The Bloomsburg Huskies women's team placed ninth at the competition despite the fact they were running without their top runner Danielle Kramer.

The Mountaineers will compete in the NCAA Division II East Regional Championship on Nov. 9. This championship will give all the PSAC schools and other schools in the East to earn a chance to compete at the NCAA National Championships at North Carolina State University on Nov. 22.

On the Sidelines: Diana Daniel

By MIKE PETERS
Flashlight Sports Writer

The swimming season is here again at Mansfield University and this year, the Mounties are ready to compete.

Underclassmen are anchoring the Mountaineer swimming team. With only two seniors, two juniors and eleven underclassmen, the Mounties are lacking the experience they need to compete in the PSAC division. However, what they lack in experience they make up for in talent.

Sophomore back stroke and freestyle sprint specialist, Diana Daniel knows exactly what it takes to swim competitively in collegiate competition. Daniel brings a smile and positive attitude to each meet. She understands that in order to be competitive, every swimmer must think of the team, not themselves.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Diana Daniel: I am a sophomore and still undeclared. I am thinking of declaring special education.

MP: Why would you choose this major?

DD: I've worked with children for the past five summers at a summer recreation camp back home and it's always been very challenging and fun.

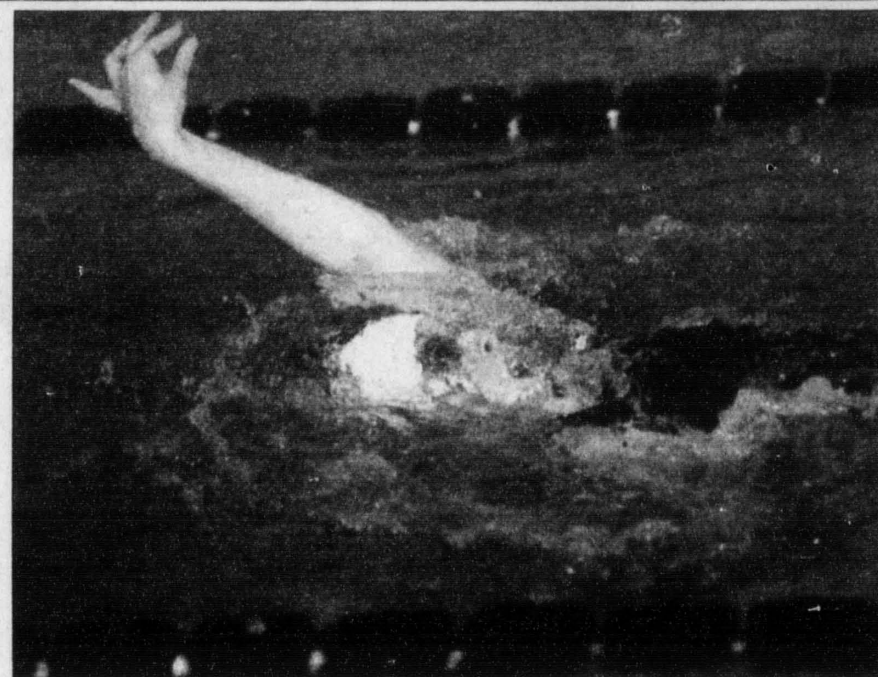
MP: How old are you?

DD: I am 19 years old.

MP: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

DD: I liked the swim program. Mansfield is not too far away from my house. I also liked that it has a lot of majors that I am interested in so eventually, I can decide what I want to do.

MP: What is your favorite sport



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Daniel enters her second season on the Mansfield swim team.

besides swimming?

DD: I love college sports, especially basketball because it is so exciting to watch.

MP: When did you start swimming?

DD: I started swimming when I was really young, but I joined my first team in seventh grade.

MP: What events do you swim?

DD: I swim freestyle sprints and backstroke events.

MP: Why did you choose to be a swimmer?

DD: I have always loved the water. I don't think I could go to school and not swim. It has always been such a big part of my life.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

DD: I played a lot of intramural sports in high school and also ran track and field.

MP: Do you participate in any other sports at the university?

DD: No I do not. Swimming is almost like a year round sport, so I do not have time.

MP: Have you won any awards?

DD: Yes, I won awards in high school for swimming.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the team?

DD: The friendships that I have made are my favorite part of being on the team. The girls I swim with are my closest friends at school. We always hang out in and out of the pool. I also like my relationship with Coach. I can be very open with her and I know she wants everyone to do well.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

DD: My teammates and my coach keep me going strong. Even though swimming is an individual sport, we all collectively come together to form a team and if you do not try your best you are hurting your teammates.

MP: Is there anything you do before an event, like a routine or superstition?

DD: Normally, I yell for the person who is racing before me and that helps so I am not concentrating so hard on my upcoming race. Before my race, I usually try to relax. Sometimes, I listen to music to get me excited and ready.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

DD: I would like to be happy in a career working with kids.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

DD: I believe everything happens for a reason. I also think it is important to give people the benefit of the doubt. As well as to always, always keep laughing and smiling because it helps any situation.

MP: How is the team going to do this season?

DD: I think Coach is still learning what events people swim. Since we have a lot of new girls this year the lineup keeps getting modified each meet. It takes time to figure out where people should be placed and in what events. I think since our roster is a little bigger than last year, we have a better chance against more schools. Plus, all the new girls bring so much talent and drive with them.

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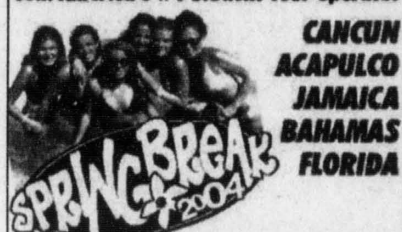
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MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ MANSFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA ❖ WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2003

Mounties enjoy a record-setting day

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team secured its first eight win season since 1946 by defeating the Cheyney Wolves, 48-24, on Nov. 1 at Karl Van Norman Field. The Mounties improved to 8-1 overall and 3-1 in the PSAC East with the win.

Earnest "Poohbear" McNeal led the Mountie offense. The red-shirt freshman transfer from Bowling Green picked up 175 yards on 27 carries and five touchdowns, which set a new single game school record. Travis Motley went 5 for 12 with 137 yards and two touchdowns. Joe Bennett caught both touchdown passes and finished the day with three catches for 119 yards, breaking the single season receiving yards record.

Dan Holland led the defense with ten tackles and a blocked field goal. Ronnie Montgomery registered his first interception

since Sept. 13 against Buffalo State. Montgomery made nine tackles and had two kickoff returns. Brian DeCecco and Andre Turner added seven tackles each.

The defense stopped Cheyney on each of their first two possessions. The Mounties scored on their second drive, as McNeal took his first touchdown of the day in from three yards out. After Cheyney fumbled and Mansfield recovered on the ensuing possession, it took the Mountaineers only four more McNeal runs to make it 14-0.

The Wolves did respond, driving down to the Mountaineer 21-yard line on the next series, only to be stopped by another turnover. Montgomery intercepted Cheyney quarterback Erriek Stewart's pass at the one-yard line, temporarily giving the momentum back to Mansfield. Unfortunately for the Mounties, McNeal was tackled in his own

end zone on the next play, and the safety cut the Mansfield lead to 14-2.

Cheyney got the ball back and wasted no time further slicing into the Mansfield lead. Stewart found Charles Johnson on a slant pattern for a five yard touchdown pass to cut the lead to 14-9. Johnson had a big day for the Wolves, reeling in seven passes for 109 yards and a touchdown.

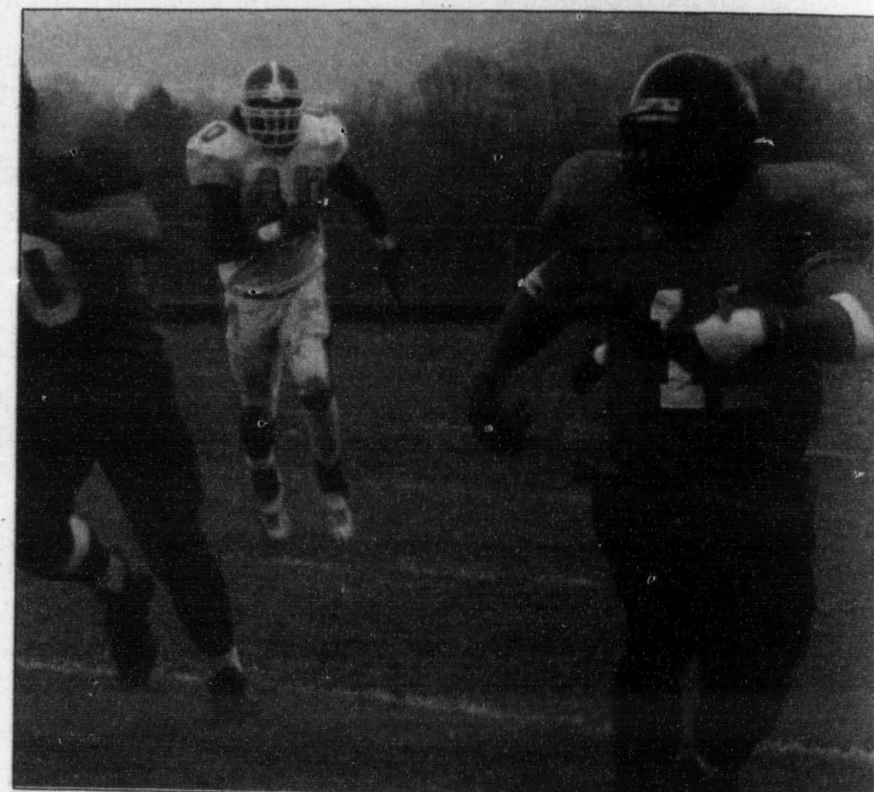
Mansfield answered right back, as Montgomery returned the kickoff 63 yards to the Cheyney 37 yard line. Three plays later, McNeal was found pay dirt once again, this time from six yards out, to increase the lead to 20-9. The score remained 20-9 because the two point conversion attempt was no good.

Cheyney came back with a drive of their own, hoping to finish the half on a high note. They made it to the Mansfield 29 yard line, but the drive stalled there. John Riley's 47 yard field goal attempt was blocked by Holland and the score remained 20-9 at the half.

The first five minutes of the second half belonged to Cheyney. Motley drifted back to pass on the third play of the half and committed intentional grounding in his own end zone, leading to a safety. That cut the Mounties advantage to 20-11.

After the Mountaineer defense held, Motley threw an interception to Brandon Roberts, and Cheyney took possession on the Mounties 25-yard line. Stewart found Ed Giddings for a touchdown on the next play and Cheyney cut the lead to 20-18. Despite the tight score, there was no panic, according to DeCecco.

"We just knew we had to stop



JENNIFER NELSON/THE FLASHLIGHT
Travis Motley scrambles as the Mountaineers defeated the Cheyney Wolves 48-24 last Saturday.

their charge," DeCecco said. "It was a little bit of a wake-up call".

The Mountaineers did wake up on their next drive, taking the ball 46 yards on six plays, and finishing with McNeal's fourth touchdown of the game, on a ten yard run, to make the score 27-18. The Mounties defense forced Cheyney to go three and out on the next series and Cheyney punted.

Mansfield wide receiver Dan Bennett was hurt on the punt. As the crowd watched in silence, Bennett was wheeled off on a stretcher with an apparent knee injury.

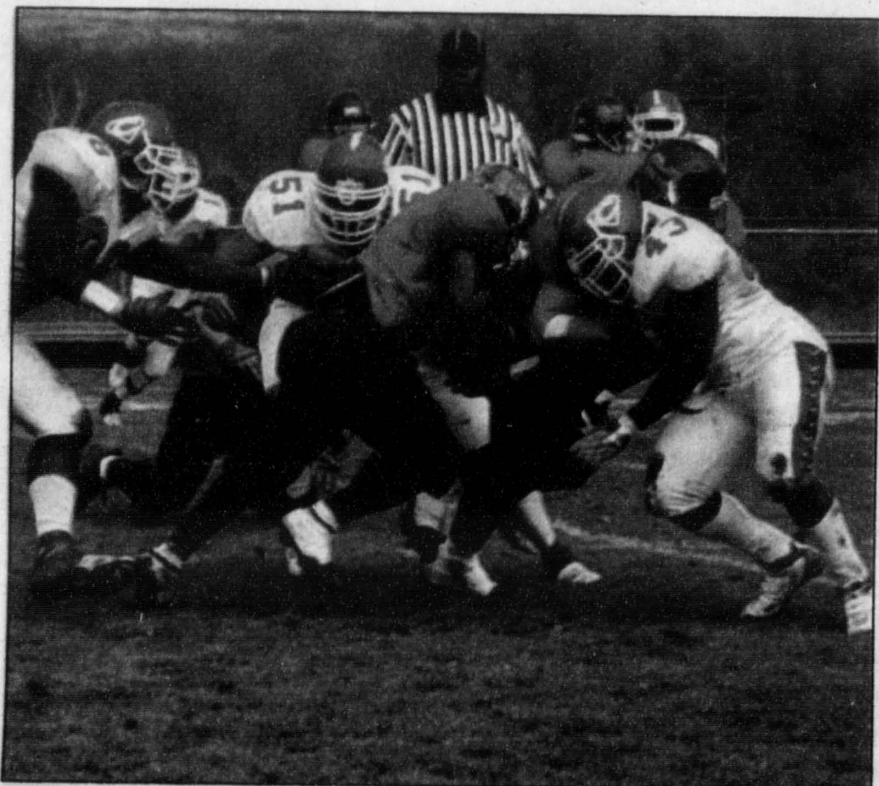
Two plays later, Dan's brother Joe stepped up. Motley hit Bennett in stride for a 60 yard touchdown connection to put the game out of reach at 34-18. McNeal found the end zone for the fifth and final time later in the third quarter to extend the gap to 41-18. The Mounties would con-

tinue to pile on the points, as Motley found Bennett for a 39 yard hookup to make the score 48-18.

Cheyney added a touchdown early in the fourth quarter as Clifton Jones ran to the endzone from the three-yard line. The game was marred by numerous penalties and delays.

The two teams combined for 23 penalties and nearly 300 penalty yards. Mansfield Head Coach Chris Woods was less than thrilled with his team's performance, despite the lopsided victory. "I'm glad it's over and I'm glad we won," Woods said. "But there are times we didn't play well and we will have to address those before the final two games of the year."

Mansfield hits the road for an important PSAC East meeting in their next game against the Bloomsburg Huskies. The game is at 1 p. m. on Saturday at Bloomsburg.



JENNIFER NELSON/THE FLASHLIGHT
With the help of the offensive line, Earnest McNeal rushes for one of his five touchdowns of the day.



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'Tis the season for giving at MU

By PATRICIA ROMANOWSKI
Flashlight Writer

With the season for giving in full swing, the Mansfield University Community Service Learning Office will be collecting information from November to December for families in need for the upcoming holiday season.

Laura Gates, a student worker for the Community Service Learning Office spends a lot of her day getting the project, Santa's Gift Bag, in order.

"Each day for the last couple weeks, we've called local schools and asked them to submit a list of families or children who are in need of a little help for the holidays. Right now we're focusing on submitting letters to all of the families, giving them a chance to specify what it is that their child or children would like Santa to bring

them for Christmas. When we receive the letters back from the parents we will then begin to organize the responses. Then we will begin to find sponsor's for the families," Gates said.

Billie Kasten, graduate assistant and coordinator for the Community Service Learning Office thinks that Santa's Gift Bag will have a positive influence on the community.

"The CSL Office is delighted to be a part of Santa's Gift Bag. So many families work so hard just to get by. It's truly a gift for us to be able to help and make some child's holiday just a little bit brighter. It also gives the community a chance to show they care," Kasten said.

"At times it becomes difficult to realize that there are such a large amount of families that need our help. But to be able to reach out

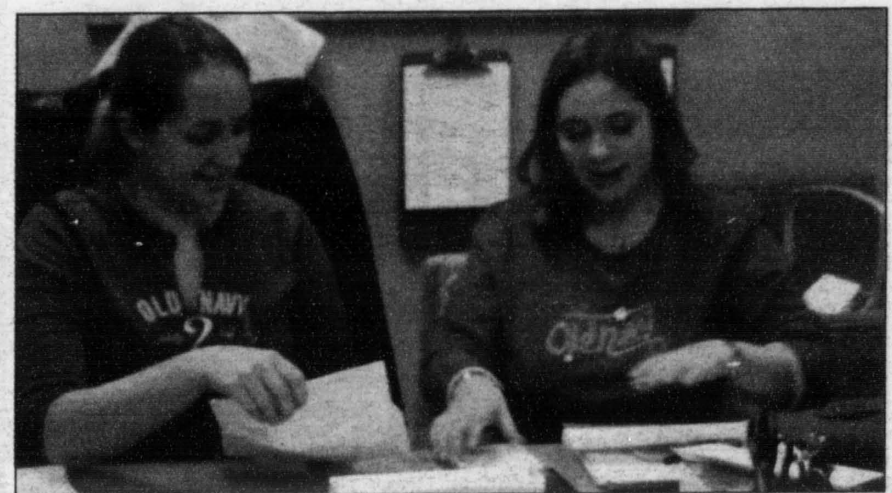
and touch the lives of total strangers is an enormous opportunity, one that we are very grateful to receive," Gates said.

This year the families will have the option to have Santa Claus himself greet their child with gifts on Christmas Eve.

"We think that the children

would get a real kick out of being able to see Santa on Christmas Eve. We're trying to make their Christmas just a little bit brighter," Kasten said.

For further information or to assist with Santa's Gift Bag contact the CSL Office at 662-4177.



GREG PELLEGRINO/THE FLASHLIGHT
Kasten and Gates stuff envelopes for the Santa's Gift Bag project.

North Hall receives \$471,000 grant

By KELLY ANN MURRAY
Flashlight Writer

North Hall Library will be the recipient of a \$471,000 federal grant given by the Recruiting and Educating Librarians for the 21st Century grant program. North Hall was one of only 27 university libraries to receive this funding.

Mansfield University is credited with having one of the nation's best online graduate courses for the training of school librarians.

The University will use this funding to help educate library media specialists. These specialists are currently in demand. Through a project developed by the university, project Recruitment, Education, Advocacy and Partnerships; Mansfield University will expand its highly successful online Education Master's in the

School of Library and Information Technologies. This expansion will help in the training of these specialists.

Dr. Larry Nesbit is the Director

of Information Resources, as well as director of the School Library and Information Technologies Program.

"The Grant will do two things," Nesbit said, "It will provide us with funding for advertising this program, and will also provide funds for scholarships that can be given to students in need of financial assistance."

The School Library and information Resources Program is taught primarily by school librarians. Because of this asset, assignments given to the graduate students are applied rather than theoretical.

Because of the growing shortages of librarians in the United States, First Lady Laura Bush has announced that President Bush will be supporting a

\$10 million proposal within the Institute of Museum and Library Services to recruit new librarians.

In a study reported by Library Journal magazine, it was reported that 40% of the nation's librarians plan to retire in nine years or less. The magazine's study also found that by the year 2019 58% of librarians will have reached the age of 65. In Pennsylvania alone, a recent survey of school libraries reported that 30% of librarians were planning on retiring in the next five years. Of those surveyed, the average age was 55.

Students interested in the School Library and information Resources Program must have teacher certification to enter the graduate program. More information can be found at library.mansfield.edu.

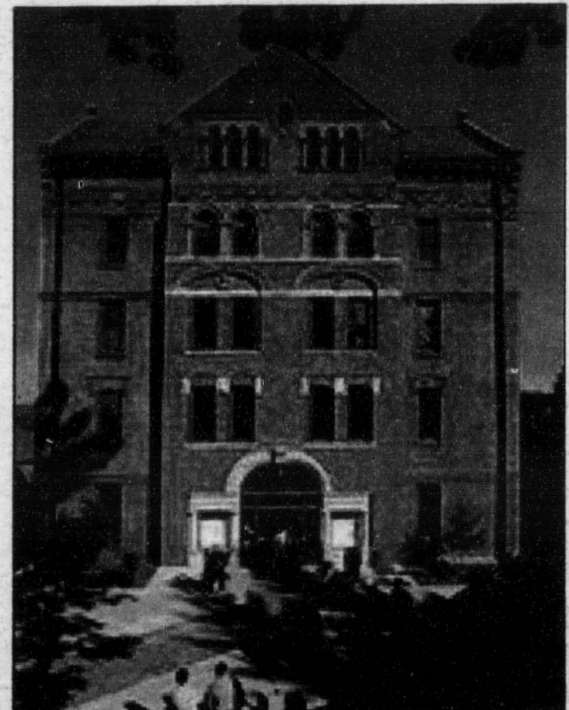


Photo provided by MU Public Relations
North Hall Library is one of the most technologically advanced libraries in the nation.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

★ There will be no self defense classes for women on Nov. 15. Please see next semester's schedule for more information.

★ The Walk-A-Friend program is now up and running! Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 5 p.m. to midnight, and Thursday through Sunday 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Volunteers are still needed. To get an escort, call Campus Police at x4900. Look for students with "Safety Patrol" jackets and ID.

★ The Comedy of Errors: uproarious, sometimes obnoxious, and always hilarious! Showing in Straughn Auditorium Nov. 13, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 16 at 2 p.m. Admission for students is only \$2 with Student ID. Theatre Box office 662-4781

★ The President's Advisory Board for Diversity is sponsoring an interracial /intercultural dating forum Tuesday Nov. 18 from 6-8 p.m. in AHUB room 317. Refreshments will follow the discussion.

★ Barn Dance at Decker Gymnasium from 8 to 11p.m. on Friday. The Cherry Flats Ridge Pluckers will be providing music. You don't need a partner to participate. Square dance, circle dances, and contra dances are suitable for beginners. For more Information call Dr. Russ Dodson at x4614.

POLICE BEAT

October 28, 2003- Theft- Theft of a checkbook and a credit card from a resident's room in Hemlock was reported to the police.

If you have any information regarding these cases, please contact University Police at 662-4900.

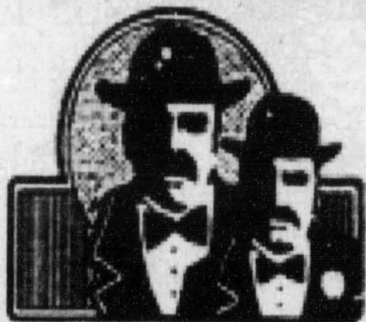
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Friday- Few snow showers, high of 43° and a low of 26°.

Saturday- Partly cloudy, high of 46° and a low of 32°.

Sunday- Partly cloudy, high of 46° and a low of 32°.

Monday- Few showers, high of 47° and a low of 32°.

Tuesday- Mostly cloudy, high of 48° and a low of 32°.

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Mansfield blood drive

By SARAH STOERMER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Students and faculty have a chance to join together with the Red Cross to donate blood from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 19 in the multi-purpose room of Alumni Hall Union Building. The donation is quick and easy, and ensures that the safest possible blood is available whenever and wherever it is needed—whether for the military or in one of America's hospitals.

Universities are asked to do one or more blood drives per semester. This is the first semester that Mansfield is holding two blood drives in the same semester.

The blood that Mansfield students donate becomes part of a nationwide system. Most likely, the donations will be used in our general area. The yearly goal for the Tioga County branch of the Red Cross is 102,500 units, which will serve 40 hospitals in the Northeastern/Central Pennsylvania area. But when supplies are low the national system is dipped into and blood is sent to where it is needed most.

"We hope to bring in at least 120 pints of blood. In past years Mansfield has brought in over 200 pints, but in recent drives donation has dwindled. We are being more realistic with our goals. However, it is unfortunate that we don't have as many donors as we did in the past, particularly drives following the Sept. 11, 2001, tragedy. There is always a need for blood," Tom Johnston, Assistant Director of Residence Life and Blood Drive Coordinator, said.

"I hope students participate. It is helping the nation, and more importantly sav-

ing somebody's life."

Unfortunately, only a fraction of people able to give blood actually donate. Students are by far the biggest donors. In recent years 65 to 70 percent of student donors have been women.

The requirements needed to give are as follows: you must be at least 17 years of age, weigh 110 pounds or more, have not donated blood in the past 56 days, and have not donated double red cells in the last 112 days.

On the day of donation it is important to drink extra water and other non-caffeinated fluids. This will help prevent the donor from getting low blood pressure. Eating foods high in protein and complex carbohydrates will also help the donor's body through the donating process. It is also a good idea to avoid fatty foods. High lipid counts can affect the safety screening that the Red Cross does to each pint of blood.

Between donations it is important to give your body plenty of iron. When an individual donates they lose the iron that is contained in the red blood cells. It is important to eat iron rich foods such as red meat, fish, poultry, green leafy vegetables, broccoli, beans, raisins, and prunes. Many cereals are fortified with iron and there are many iron supplements available without prescription. Eating foods rich in vitamin C helps an individual's body absorb the iron you eat.

The Blood Mobile is sponsored by Panhellenic Council, Inter-Fraternity Council, Student Government Association, and All Residence Hall Council.

For more information call Tom Johnston at 662-4952.

What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

World News:

MOSCOW- As part of an effort to "improve morals" in the Russian capital, the government is working on a law that would prohibit kissing in public places such as subways and cafes. According to the newspaper *Stolichnaya Vechernyaya Gazeta*, the ban was "being considered at the request of police and the city's education committee." Committee member Tatyana Maximova was quoted as saying that "children do not need any sexual education classes in school, they get amoral lessons every day when they see what goes on around them. Something must be done."

SINGAPORE- *The Strait Times* has reported that a 27-year-old police coast guard sergeant has been jailed for two years for having oral sex with a 16-year-old. The girl, who was above the legal age of consent, reported to the police that she, had performed oral sex on the man. In Singapore prostitution is legal, but oral sex is not, and according to criminal lawyer Subhas Anandan "the act by itself is an offense. It is not a question of consent or no consent. Even between consenting people, it is an offense." The maximum penalty for the offense is life imprisonment.

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA- Saudis blamed Al-Qaida militants Sunday for the suicide car bombing of a housing complex in Riyadh, which killed 17 people. The attack,

which occurred Saturday night at an upscale compound for foreign workers, wounded 122 people, and according to Yahoo! News "provides clear proof of the willingness of the terror organization to shed Muslim blood in its desire to bring down the U.S.-linked Saudi monarchy."

BEIJING- China brought together scientists, officials and even former President Clinton Monday to discuss current health threats, including SARS and AIDS, to China and other parts of the world. Beijing was criticized for its reluctance to inform the rest of the world about the SARS virus and its slow defense against AIDS. Program organizer, Dr. David Ho has said that there are grass roots plans in China battling against AIDS, however China needs a clear plan from the central government.



National News:

WASHINGTON D.C.- In a recent speech, U.S. Senator Joseph Biden (D-Delaware), urged President Bush to call a summit on Iraq seeking international troops and assistance in exchange for a greater say in opera-

tions. Speaking Sunday, one week after 33 American soldiers were killed Biden stated "it's time to make a fundamental shift in the way in which we are going about trying to win the peace here." Several other Congressional Democrats who are seeking a change towards American policy in post-war Iraq joined the Senator at the speech.

NEW JERSEY- Nine illegal immigrants, who worked as janitors at Wal-Mart, are suing the company, accusing it of discrimination. The workers who were arrested during federal raids last month say they were paid lower wages and offered fewer benefits because they are Mexicans, and are accusing Wal-Mart of "failing to pay for overtime, withhold taxes or make required workers' compensation contributions."

SAN FRANCISCO- Corporations and lawmakers are expanding protections against sexual harassment and discrimination of transsexuals, cross-dressers, and others who "fall outside the traditional notions of gender identity." 19 companies in the Fortune 500, including Microsoft Corp., have banned discrimination based on "gender identity and expression." Sixty-five cities and counties across the country have similar protections, which extend protections to men perceived as effeminate and women viewed as masculine.

Info taken from cnn.com, and Yahoo! news

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Dan Mason- *There is always something to do in Funtown, USA*

SPORTS:

Jeannette Esteves- *Mansfield swimming falls short to Huskies of Bloomsburg 109-74*

Defend yourself! MUAA helps out

By ERICA HUDOCK

Flashlight Writer

The police department is no longer the only institute on campus whose goal is to "protect and serve."

The Mansfield University Advocacy Association is sponsoring open self-defense classes exclusively for women to learn how to respond in the event of an attack. Deb Makatura, a certified instructor of the American Women's Self-Defense Association, conducts 2-3 hour lessons on defense theories and hands-on techniques, rather than spending time on discussing which situations to avoid.

"The program is designed by women, for women," Makatura said.

Other programs, such as the Rape Aggression Defense course, are designed by men for male bodies and therefore are less useful to women of smaller structure. In addition, the possibility of these lessons being used against women still remains. As an alternative, the theories for the MUAA self-defense program eliminate this chance by making the methods undisclosed to males. These techniques derived from a group at the self-defense organization, Modern Warrior, where Makatura was certified two years ago.

Last fall, the program was brought to Mansfield for college and high school students

and the community to take part in. Since the campus attacks earlier this semester, the self-defense resources "obviously became more important" for students, according to MUAA coordinator Elizabeth Shaffer.

Within the program, Makatura provides some lecture with statistics and facts, but encourages students to utilize the time for practicing the skills because they are to be confidential outside of class.

"No prior skill or ability is required," Shaffer said. "The program teaches women to use what they have, gain a sense of empowerment over their lives, and find options where they otherwise might feel helpless."

To make this program even easier to enroll in, Makatura has provided the training through volunteer instruction. Students simply need to sign up and attend.

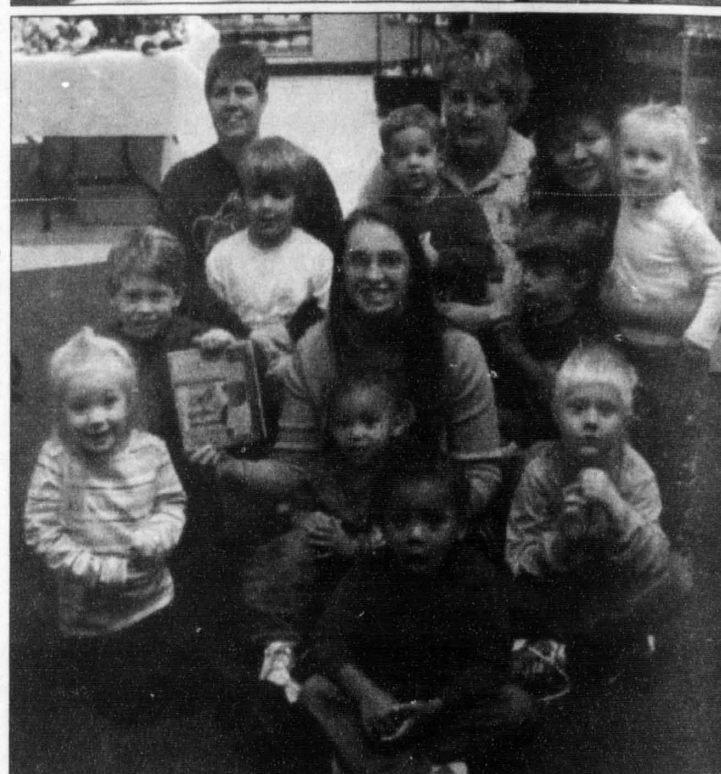
"My belief is that no woman should ever have to pay to learn how to defend herself," Makatura said.

More training classes will be offered in the spring semester giving time for past participants to practice and an additional opportunity for more interested women to attend.

"You don't have to live in fear. You have to be aware and prepare for the unexpected," Shaffer said.

RACHEL ADAMS/THE
FLASHLIGHT

Erin Kurzejewski, a senior Elementary Education major at Mansfield University, read several books to local preschoolers last Thursday for National Children's Book Week. Students from the Sandra B. Linck ChildCare Center (top) on Mansfield's campus listened to *Am I Big or Little?* and *Serendipity*. Preschoolers from the Joyful Happiness Day Care (bottom) on Main Street enjoyed *Josh Goes to School* and *Serendipity*. After the stories, they enjoyed a snack of milk and Halloween cookies. Kurzejewski volunteered to read to the children because she believes that every child should have someone to read to them. She will student-teach next semester and graduate in the Spring.



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Movie Review: The Matrix: Revolutions

By NOAL BASTIAN
Flashlight Writer

"Mr. Anderson... we've missed you." The battle cry of a confident Agent Smith begins the climactic and final battle between machine and man. *The Matrix: Revolutions* brings the popular sci fi series to a dramatic end.

Most reviews I've read all bashed this epic final installment. Let this be the review that changes your mind. Keep in mind, this is completely unbiased. *takes down Matrix poster* I felt that *The Matrix: Revolutions* was a perfect closing episode to one of the most popular movie series of all time. Many reviewers bashed it for its "unoriginality" or "poor choice in ending." I feel that the ending was perfect and brought closure. One or two strings were left dangling to keep the viewer interested, but over all I felt satisfied by the ending.

The movies plot is much like you would expect if you have been a fan of the series from the start. The machines have drilled to Zion, Agent Smith is taking over the world, and our heroes Neo, Trinity and Morpheus (along with a slew of other equally cool characters)

battle the machines in both the real world and inside of the Matrix. This movie differs from the first two in many ways. Most of the action takes place in the real world, and much of the movie takes place outside of the Matrix itself. One would think that with this being so, many of the cool gimmicks wouldn't be used (i.e. bullet time and the slow motion stuff). Yet have no fear, I found some of the fighting in the real world to be just as exhilarating as watching Neo stop bullets in mid flight.

Keep in mind that *The Matrix* series is an action series. With all action movies there will be fighting, there will be blood and there will be death. So, don't go into the theater expecting to watch an all out love story. But, for those of you who are soft at heart, your not to be disappointed. *The Matrix: Revolutions'* love story between Neo and Trinity and Morpheus and Niobi is a focal point. And of course the movie is not without humor. Agent Smith himself seemed to draw many laughs. In a maniacal evil antagonist way, of course.



The Matrix: Revolutions grossed \$50.16 million dollars its opening weekend in theatres. www.imdb.com

Now, by far, I am not saying this was the best movie of all time. I felt that some of the lines were a little cheesy, and their seemed to be a lot of them. Lines like "You did it! - No, we did it!" So get ready for a little cheese. This movie is not for people who haven't seen the first two installments either. There is no more explaining, you already know everything. This movie brings everything you know to a finely

sharpened point and brings closure.

Visually the movie is as appealing as staring at the Mona Lisa. It is amazing. Especially the climactic final battle between Neo and Agent Smith. I felt that they played this fight stereotypically, with thunder clapping in the background and lightening striking as fists would fly. At first I thought it was cheesy, but wow. During that fight it really showed the awe and power that

both Neo and Agent Smith now weld. My only complaint in this scene is the slow motion punch to the face that looks like the cover to an Alice in Chains album.

Now onto the most controversial part of the entire movie. I've actually seen a fight break out because of this. The ending. Movies like *The Matrix* need to have powerful endings. Take for example *Star Wars* (The original 3 movies). The ending to the original trilogy brought closure and joy, but still left room for future advancement. I've never heard anyone complain about the ending to the original *Star Wars* movies (except for the Ewoks, but we won't go there). The ending to *The Matrix* give a final explanation as to what has happened. No more cryptic responses, or crazy men sitting in white rooms full of TVs. They come right out and tell you everything that happened and everything that will happen. Yet, still left room for future ideas. I really hope I never live to see the day another Matrix sequel comes out. It ended well, let it end.

As a parting gift, I will leave you with three words... Go see it.

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

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Brother Bear (G)

The Matrix: Revolutions (R)

Looney Tunes: Back in Action (PG)



WNTÉ-FM Fall 2003 schedule

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6-8am	Schwab and the Freak		Bullet with Binary Wings		Kylee's Classics		
8-10am							Sunday Morning Inspirations
10-12pm					Lunch Break with the Ladies	The Smiley Show	Sports Recap/ New & Hit Music
12-2pm			Kathy & Pam				Tiff & Amber
2-4pm	The No-Namers	Girl on the Rock Show	Bob Long	Our Radio Show	The X Show		Love and Rockets
4-6pm	Sausage in a Box	Steve Shuster	4-5 Mike W. 5-6 NEWS	Jenn Magnusen & Sarah Jones	School House Rock		It's Not Delivery, It's DeFranco
6-8pm	Too White Crew	Will & Drew	Phillysburgh "Best of Both Worlds"	Nebz		Rap Throwback	On Campus with Minner and Hatkid
8-10pm	The Radio Playback		The Opening Act	Patrick Lahr	The Grind	Jason Ghods	sundayskool
10-12am	The Experience	Keepin' it Real	The Main Event	Kate Yenik & Kate Livingston	Earphoria	Pat & Joel	James Shappell
	Tuesday AM	Wednesday AM	Thursday AM	Friday AM	Saturday AM	Sunday AM	Monday AM
12-2am	The Dick and Peters Show	Mark Shatzer	Late Night Pimpin'	Miss Midnight	Erica Garfinkle	The Pit	Overdrive
2-4am					Jake Heckrote		John Cooper
4-6am							

More to do in Funtown

By DAN MASON

Adviser to the Flashlight

We have a "family reunion" every summer. That's in quotes because I've never been to a family reunion so I don't know what one is really like. What we do is not what I picture as a family reunion. The five siblings and one cousin rent cabins at Hills Creek Lake for a week. (Everyone stays for the week, though some individuals arrive late or leave early. Some even arrive early or stay late at my folk's house, which is only a mile from the park. But I digress.) It seems that each year we have different cousins visiting or different friends of the family or friends of different parts of the family. There are ten kids among the five siblings. We usually have another half dozen or more floating in and out during the week. It's a lot of fun, but not what I really expect from a Family Reunion. On the other hand, I am not sure I can define or explain what I think a Family Reunion is.

Last summer Evan Davies, my oldest brother-in-law (by how long he has been my brother-in-law) who is also my youngest brother-in-law (by age), brought a hand held Global Positioning System receiver to the gathering. He introduced us to the sport or hobby or whathaveyou of geocaching. I have been completely hooked.

It turns out that one can very accurately determine ones location with a GPS. About 30 months ago someone, I think in Washington state, hid something for a friend and told the friend the GPS coordinates. The friend found the cache, and the hobby was born.

Since then caches have been hidden across the country and around the world. Caches are usually an army surplus ammo box or a tupperware-esque container. They contain a log book for people to sign in, trinkets to swap with whatever the seeker brought, sometimes a "signature item" or more than one, hitchhikers and travel bugs.

Caches are hidden (at least they're supposed to be hidden) in interesting spots: a great view, near a monument, by an old building, etc. The locations of the caches are posted on the net. When one finds a cache one writes the find in the log then logs the find on the net when one returns to "civilization."

Evan had looked up geocaches in the Hills Creek area before he came to the gathering. It turned out that there was one actually in the park somewhere. One day, when we had been sent on an errand by one spouse or another, we made a side trip to try to find the cache. We didn't find it, though we scoured the area. The next day we went back with help in the form of a cousin and two kids. We found the cache in minutes. (I had actually been within feet of it the day before but didn't look in the right pile of debris, being too busy looking in hollow trees, under rocks, etc.)

Our first find merely whet my appetite. We didn't have time for another cache that day, as we were ostensibly on another spousal errand and needed to return to avoid any possible wrath. We made plans to take the next afternoon and look for a cache a little farther from the park. There were more than 20 within 25 miles of the park, so we had our choice. With a van full of people we went in search of "Still in a State of Confusion," a themed cache about 10 miles from the park. We had the same crew as before with the addition of an adult female human to keep us out of trouble. (It worked a little.)

We followed the arrow on the GPS and found the suggested parking place. We hiked across a field on a relatively warm August day, got our feet wet, found more than half the brambles and briers in the area, fed a significant portion of the mosquitoes in north central PA and found the cache!

We were hooked. We only made one more geocaching run that week and scored both caches at Colton Point State Park.

With the end of the gathering my team lost the use of the GPS. This didn't stop us from looking, though it did make looking more challenging. We only found two caches without a GPS, though we looked for more than half a dozen.

I scrimped and saved my allowance and finally managed to save enough money to buy the GPS I wanted. I emailed another geocacher in the area, one for whose cache I had looked, and asked if he could give me some lessons. He graciously met my family near one of his caches and taught us how to use the GPS. Then he walked with us to find his cache. It was a snap. With my older daughter using our new GPS and my son using the teacher's GPS, we navigated within 15 feet of the cache.

Since then we have looked for four other caches and found three. (Dark and cold caught us at the fourth cache and we gave up without finding the cache, though we had to have been within feet of it.) Using the GPS is quite simple. My son navigated us to within 7 feet of our first solo cache. We stopped looking at the GPS and looked around. There was a log at my feet which I turned over and there was a green ammo can lying on the ground just waiting to be found.

Geocaching is a team hobby. We get to spend time as a family. We have found 8 parks that we never knew existed and have enjoyed picnicking, hiking, swapping treasures, etc around central Pennsylvania. There are caches around the country and around the world. With luck we will get to broaden our searches in the spring and look for caches a little further away from home, meet some more people and see more of the world.

A quick peek at the net reveals 18 caches within 25 miles of Mansfield. If you have nothing to do on a weekend, I invite you to look for some caches and join the thousands of people around the world who are hiding and seeking using this wonderful new technology.

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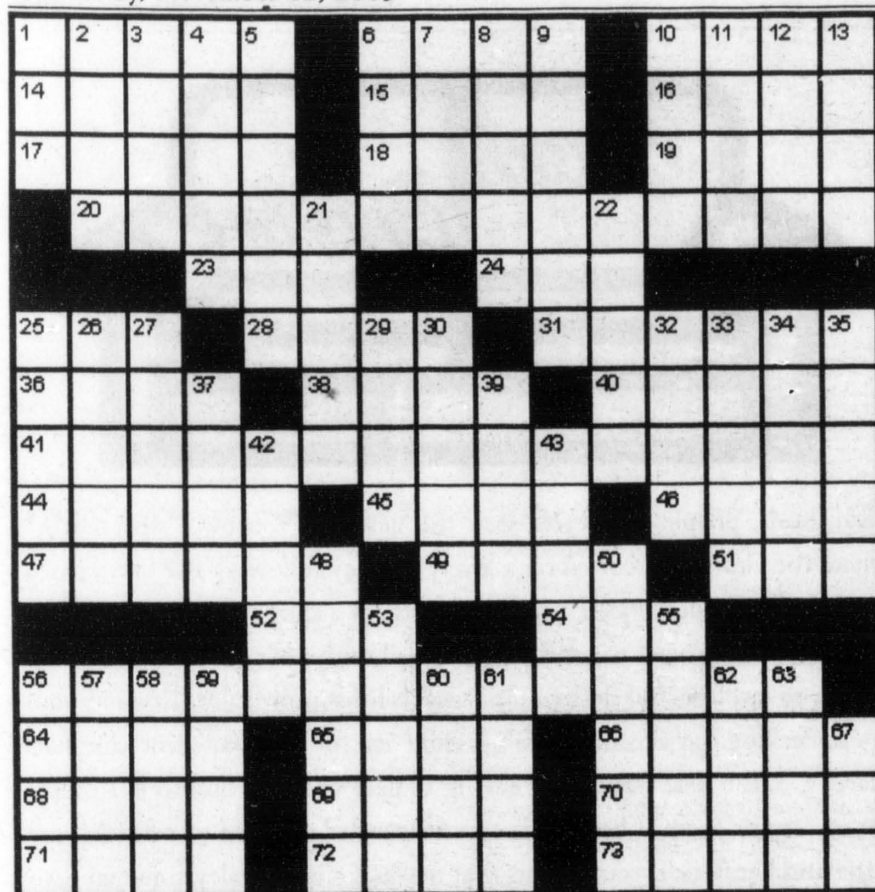
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31. Dealer
36. Extinct bird
38. Son of Aphrodite
40. Make joyful
41. Director of Signs and The Sixth Sense
44. Accustom
45. Two ____ = one twenty
46. Month autumn begins (abbr)
47. In a docile way
49. Administrative division of a government
51. Affirmative
52. Peace sign
54. Debt
56. Star of Shaft
64. Black in color
65. Hawaiian feast
66. 1970 Nobel Prize winner
68. Stop working
69. Norse god
70. National competition promoting the art of illustration
71. Countertenor
72. Beat severely
73. In a cunning way
- Down**
1. Evergreen tree
2. American ____
3. Well-mannered woman
4. Now's opposites

- Across**
1. Dirty matter
6. ____ mater
10. Baking or club
14. Type of potato
15. Deceives
16. "My evil ____ did it"
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23. Female hog
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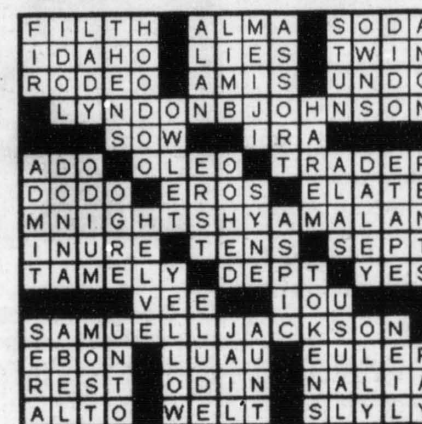


By TINA KAMBOURIS

5. Bad luck
6. Alda or Jackson
7. Branch
8. Emperor who modernized Japan
9. Classify
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12. She sang Stan with Eminem
13. Later
21. Young nocturnal bird
22. Genie's pants
25. Confess
26. Prima ____
27. Aversion
29. Formerly
30. "Everyone ____ and aahed..."
32. "Woe is me!"
33. Chicago's mayor
34. Public storehouse
35. Leases
37. Fairytale monster
39. Auld lang ____
42. Ax handle
43. Type of jelly
48. Cowardly
50. Objects of sentimental value

53. Escape
55. Common
56. Blood components
57. Cain's victim
58. Greatest in amount
59. Golden rule word
60. Correctional institution
61. Your parents' sister
62. Sift and ____
63. Armstrong or Diamond
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Flashlight Fall Movie Preview

By MICHELE PEET
Flashlight Writer

There are a lot of movies coming to theaters lately, and there has to be one that you are just itching to see. The November/December movie schedule has so many interesting movies that may be worth spending the money to see in theaters.

The Matrix series returned to theaters on November 5. Keanu Reeves and Carrie-Anne Moss star in *The Matrix: Revolutions*, the finale to the trilogy. The pair continues to battle the machines that have confined the human race to the Matrix and Neo (Reeves) realizes his own strength

and power as "The One." The anticipation continues to grow as the release date is nearing.

Hugh Grant and Emma Thompson star in a movie titled *Love Actually*. Grant and Thompson are two people who are part of this story of love. The movie is based around ten couples who are trying to find love, actually. The movie arrives in theaters on Nov. 7.

Also on Nov. 7, *Elf*, starring Will Ferrell comes to theaters. Buddy (Ferrell) who was raised by elves, returns to Manhattan to find his birth parents. In the process, Buddy also reminds the citizens of the true meaning of Christmas. The movie also stars James

Caan and Bob Newhart.

The Dr. Seuss' original *The Cat in the Hat* comes to life in theaters on Nov. 21. Mike Myers plays the infamous cat wearing the infamous hat who found something for the children to do. The movie also stars Alec Baldwin and Sean Hayes.

The Haunted Mansion, a movie inspired by the ride in Walt Disney World, opens in theaters on Nov. 26. Eddie Murphy plays Jim Evers, a real-estate salesman, who buys the Gracey Mansion. The house has 999 happy haunts, but they say there is always room for more. This creepy comedy also stars Marsha Thomason and Jennifer Tilly.

On Dec. 5, *The Last Samurai* enters theaters. Tom Cruise plays Captain Nathan Algren, a colonial military officer. Algren is asked to westernize Japanese warfare and instead finds himself in a conflict between the samurai philosophy and his

own knowledge of western warfare.

Another trilogy ending movie comes to theaters on Dec. 17. *The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King* stars Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, and Liv Tyler. Frodo Baggins

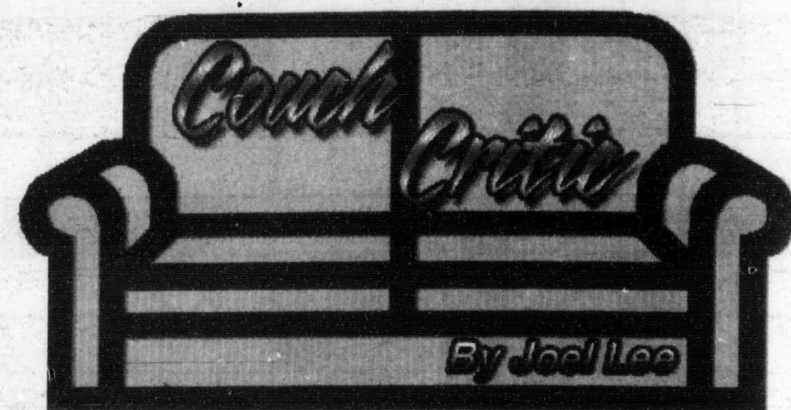
(Wood) is continually getting closer to returning the ring to the fires of Mount Doom. The saga ends with this film.

These are just some of the movies that are coming to theaters in the next two months. So scrounge up some money to go and see a movie!



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The Cat in the Hat debuts Nov. 21, while the highly anticipated *Lord of the Rings: Return of the King* hits theatres Dec. 17.



Dear Lord, people, have you seen the new MTV show, "Rich Girls," where the viewer is escorted on a lovely journey following the lives of two spoiled rich friends? Please tell me why this is a show. In the one exciting adventure I happened to see, they quarreled with their other friends about having to foot the 700 dollar limo rental bill for prom; all this, mind you, while shelling out thousands to get done up for prom at some chic hair place. Oh, the dear travesty of having to deal with the limo bill. I mean, for my senior prom, I had my license suspended and had to ride with my sister and her date; if you ask me, that makes for better television than two rich brats rolling around town in a limo pretending to be philosophical about water bills. This is so pathetic. I'm not going to hate on rich people being rich because well, whatever, people are rich and I'm not, but I will hate on MTV for making this a damn television show. I bet the peeps in charge said, "Hey, this will be GREAT TV! WOOOOOOOOOOO! Juvenile prissy rich brats complaining about their LandRover SUV and how it's soooooo hard to find the right finger nail polish at the local super-overpriced store!" I think this may be one of the worst ideas ever, up there on par with "Joe Millionaire 2", "Temptation Island whatever", and the Third Reich. Yes, yes, rich people have problems, too and not just the corny things I've said so far, but seriously, if you watch around three minutes of this show, you'll see they actually do complain about this crap. It's surreal. Dude, whatever. Writing about this is nearly as stupid as the show because somehow this will keep happening and somewhere people are getting totally involved in the lives of the people on the show and I'm still going to be poor while these already rich people get richer because MTV can make idiots watch the show.

Vinyl records popular among college music lovers

By BRYAN FARRELL
Daily Collegian

It's a common misconception that vinyl records are just musical antiques, whose only purpose in modern music is to sit on a DJ's turntable. But for stores like City Lights Records, 316 E. College Ave., and Arboria Records, 119 E. Beaver Ave., they are a means for new appreciation.

"True music fans prefer vinyl," said Troy Biega, who works at Arboria Records. "Take a [Rolling] Stones album. Play it on vinyl and it just sounds better."

Biega's reasoning is twofold. First, there is an inherent loss of quality when transferring something recorded in analog to the digital format of a CD. Second, and more

important, vinyl records recreate the artists' original vision.

"The Rolling Stones recorded in mono and that's how it was meant to be when it came out," Biega said, arguing against the CD reissues that now feature the Stones in stereo. "It's like seeing them live back in the day and hearing their original sound."

But the CD revolution has affected new music just as greatly. For instance, the method of choosing an album's track listing has changed completely.

"CDs put the best songs at the beginning," said Ken Kubala, manager for City Lights Records. "There are some CDs that are too long for me. On vinyl they used to put the best as the first and last

songs on a side."

Kubala saw the change from vinyl to CD take hold in the late '80s and has never been sold on the durability guarantees that many CD supporters offer.

"A lot of people bought into the whole indestructible, lasts forever thing, but that's not true. [When CDs were first being made] the ink ran through the CDs and would ruin them. But they're a necessary evil now."

If it weren't for the ability to play them in the car, CDs would not have become the standard quite so quickly Biega said, citing the convenience factor as irresistible. But for the vinyl collectors, convenience couldn't be less important.

"A lot of people like the bigger

photos and enjoy the packaging aspect," Biega said. "And there's just a lot more stuff on vinyl than CD. I think vinyls are on the rise because college kids like older things on vinyl."

For someone like Mark Levin (junior -- meteorology), who collects a lot of hard-to-find albums from the '60s and '70s, vinyl is the way to go.

"I look for something that has a different feel on vinyl," Levin said. "I almost expect it to sound grainy. It gives it character."

Levin's favorite record in his collection is Queen's "A Night at the Opera."

"I can't even imagine listening to it on CD," he said. "The first time I heard the album was on

vinyl."

Comparatively, Levin recently came across one of his favorite Rush albums on vinyl that he had only heard on CD and said, "It was like listening to it for the first time."

But collecting records is more than just a minor hobby for Levin, it's a way to find overlap with his father's taste in music.

"He has a lot of Simon and Garfunkel and that is how I got into music."

As long as there are people with a soft spot for nostalgia, and as long as there are hip-hop DJs, vinyl will still be on the shelves of local music stores.

"The essence is records are still cool," Kubala said.

Concert Review: The Ellison Collection

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

As a former music major, I have a special interest in a capella (singing without instruments) music. It's especially difficult to sing unaccompanied, because there's always the danger of going flat or sharp, or fumbling around to find the starting note. That's why it was particularly impressive to hear The Ellison Collection, MU's only all-male a cappella vocal group, perform a forty-minute set Friday night at the Hut.

The place was packed by the time the 12-member ensemble took the stage to thunderous applause. The guys, who range in age from freshman to senior and encompass a wide variety of majors, stood in a semicircle, grouped into their respective voice parts, while soloist Mikael Hamilton came front and center to sing the first song, Hoobastank's "Running

Away." Hamilton, an able vocalist who starred in MU's production of *Forever Plaid* a few years ago, handled the lead easily, backed by a dozen rambunctiously energetic bandmates providing "instrumental" and percussive accompaniment.

The next song, an arrangement of Our Lady Peace's "Somewhere Out There," featured a solo by MU senior broadcasting major Loren Carpenter. What really blew me away with this piece was the way the vocal accompaniment was soft throughout and then exploded for the chorus. The sound reminded me of the ocean - each wave of sound swelling bigger and more intensely than the one before it. Carpenter sang with passion, in a voice eerily similar to that of OLP singer Raine Maida. I had goosebumps.

"Hear You Me" by Jimmy Eat World was the third song on the set. Maurice Whiteside, a sopho-

more criminal justice major, took the lead and did amazing things with it, capturing both thankfulness and regret in his smooth baritone voice. I've been impressed with Whiteside ever since his "Pour Some Sugar on Me" duet with Blue Shadow last semester, and he did not disappoint in this venture. The rest of the Collection were impressive as well, never letting the often-repetitive vocal parts lag. The intricacies and attention to detail blew me away, and I was scribbling my praise furiously even as the audience's applause died away and they began the next song.

To preface the fourth EC tune, "Too Much," you must know that it was written by Steve Miller, a junior vocal education major, and performed by Brandon Bitner, a sophomore music education major. If you're familiar with either one of these gentlemen, I think you already know what kind of song it is. It starts out describing a perfect day - blue sky, green grass - and just when you think Miller may have written a serious ode, Bitner sings, "There's too much dog crap in the yard." The audience immediately erupted into hysterical laughter, but the Collection managed to keep a straight face as they harmonized about a poorly trained, loose-boweled puppy. It was comic genius, and I would expect nothing less from Miller, whose quirky sense of humor and musical ability meshed exceptionally well on this piece, and Bitner, who sang it with just the right hint of a smile on his face.

It was right about then that I noticed the entire set was completely memorized. I was impressed: in addition to schoolwork and other ensembles, the Ellison Collection found the time and dedication to commit their entire program to memory. As one who's often struggled with voice parts and lyrics in various choral groups, I found EC's professionalism amazing.

The fifth song featured Sorcha Toker, a senior vocal performance major, singing Sarah McLachlan's "Angel." Toker has a rich, velvety voice that sounds as good belting out operatic arias



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The Ellison Collection, shown above, features:

Top row from left - Charlie DiCarne, Loren Carpenter, Brandon Bitner, Dave Porter, Drew Wright
Middle- Maurice Whiteside, Steve Miller, Eric Carlson
Lower- Mikael Hamilton, Chris Pickering, Ross Whiting
Missing from photo: Justin Robbins

as it does mournfully singing an ode to suicide. She sang without frills or fuss, no Christina Aguilera-esque trills or turns, and the guys backed her up with seamless harmony that waxed and waned in all the right places. It sent a palpable chill through the room; every audience member held their breath as Toker hung on her last note, and then exploded into applause.

Hamilton took front and center once more to sing Maroon 5's "Secret," the only song on the set not arranged by Miller. (It was arranged by junior music education major Dave Porter in what fellow member Chris Pickering called, "The damn hardest arrangement we've ever done.") As a die-hard Maroon 5 fan, this song impressed the crap out of me. Tiny little instrumental details that I didn't think they'd catch came out loud and clear.

Miller took his turn at a solo in the next piece, Extreme's "More Than Words." This, the classic love song, was jazzed up a bit, which didn't prove as hokey as I thought it would. It actually made it more interesting to listen to. Interesting to watch, too, as Miller made up hand motions to accom-

pany the lyrics. The harmonization was rocky in spots, but overall it was very tightly done.

As professional and polished as the Ellison Collection may seem, on the inside they're all guys who love to laugh and have fun. It came as no surprise, then, that their final piece was a song made popular by MTV's fictitious boy band 2Gether: "Rub One Out." Whiteside and Miller took center stage to sing this audience favorite, dedicated oh-so-thoughtfully to "the ladies" in the audience, and obviously had a blast with creative hand motions and facial expressions. It was a fitting way to end what was certainly an impressive concert.

It's more than obvious that the guys in the Ellison Collection love to sing and perform. Their energy was electric, traveling through the crowd like an almost-visible current. They've come a long way from their small beginnings, and have begun to make a name for themselves on campus. No matter what you're into, the Ellison Collection deserves a second look.

For more information, visit their site at www.geocities.com/theellisoncollection.

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OPINION & EDITORIAL

From the Editor's Desk: *Don't tell me what to do*



By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

I have a few bones to pick with the legislature in this country. We've been watching some videos in my Human Sexuality class that really make me angry, and I want to speak up. I know these subjects have caused mass outrage before when they were printed in *The Flashlight*, but I refuse to tread lightly. As a woman, I'm sick and tired of being told what I can and cannot do by people who don't even know me.

First of all, let's talk about abortion. I think it's a good thing that President Bush signed a bill disallowing partial-birth abortion: the procedure is barbaric and inhumane anyway. But now what has everyone in such an uproar is the talk that's circulating about abortion being banned altogether. That I have a problem with.

I'd like to think that if I were put into a situation where I was pregnant with an unwanted child, I'd wait it out and put the baby up for adoption. I don't think I could live with myself if I had an abortion when so many couples in this country want so badly to adopt and can't. However, I'm still pro-choice, because I believe what a woman does with her body is her own business, and only she can decide what is best for her.

And here's a news flash: if the United States outlaws abortion, it's going to happen anyway, only in back alleys with crochet hooks and bent hangers. One video we watched told the story of a woman who sought out an abortion during the Great Depression because she didn't want to bring another child into the world when she knew she couldn't afford to care for it. She died slowly and painfully of a severe hemorrhage while her doctor walked away in disgust. That makes me sick; that a woman *died* because she was trying to spare a child the pain of starving to death.

Another video talked about Mexico and its horrible overpopulation problem. Parents and their children live in absolute filth and poverty,

while more babies are being brought into a world that doesn't have room for them. The cause of all this overpopulation is a plain and simple lack of birth control and abortion facilities. Because the Catholic church dictates that it's immoral to use any form of birth control but the "rhythm method" (where a woman's body temperature is tracked to find out when she's ovulating), thousands of babies are born every year into families that can't care for them. I won't bash any sort of religion and its beliefs, but to deny a woman her right to birth control in any circumstance is ridiculous.

Another issue that really gets me ripped is prostitution. Why is it illegal? I can understand banning street prostitution, where women hang out on the corner and wait for the first john to drive by, but what about escort services that are run in a tasteful, safe manner? That way it's out of the public eye, and women can be more discriminate about who they turn tricks for. If I can capitalize on my body and earn \$250 an hour doing it, who's to tell me I can't? It's *my* body, and *my* choice. I don't see anything wrong with either men or women getting paid to have sex, as long as both parties are mutually agreeable on the terms of the relationship.

All these laws and regulations take away a woman's sense of self and sexuality, and her right to rule her own body. Who decided that anyone should be able to dictate what women are permitted and not permitted to do? How could anyone have the pomposity to believe that they know what's best for us? Even if women support the banning of abortion or the illegalization of prostitution, they're still assuming that they know what's best for every other member of their gender, and that's just plain arrogant.

We are women; we are the owners of our bodies. If we want to use birth control, have an abortion or prostitute ourselves, that should be our choice and not that of a rich white bureaucrat sitting hundreds of miles away in the White House.

Letter to the Editor: *Poor representation*

Dear Editor,

One day very early in the morning, I heard my friend's scream. I went to see what was wrong, and she could only say "Oh my god!" again and again. I didn't know what had happened until I looked at the TV, and I couldn't believe what was on the screen. It was a MU commercial, and there was a guy in it whom she had dated and

whom had abused her. He had a main role in the commercial. I don't know how he got in the commercial because he was kicked out from the school, and found guilty of abusing the girl. My friend almost had a heart attack - she couldn't breathe! How can MU use a guy like him? A university commercial is supposed to be what MU does, what MU is like,

right? And people who are in a commercial represent MU, right? What will community or people think about MU if they know him? Maybe his friend who did the commercial thought it was good idea to use him because he is good at acting or something. (I don't think so.)

I can't tell you how mad that makes me! I really wanted to let

people know that there is a girl who still suffers from this whole incident, which was his fault. I just want to say: please don't use that MU commercial anymore. And please remember there is someone who still has big bruises and conflicts caused by him.

-Her Roommate and Friend

"There is no use trying," said Alice. "One can't believe impossible things."

"I dare say you haven't had much practice," said the Queen. "When I was your age, I always did it for half an hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast!" (Lewis Carroll, *Alice in Wonderland*)

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Politics and Opinion: *Who's paying for all this?*

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

As I was preparing for this week's column, I read an article about Senator John Kerry, who is running for the Democratic nomination for President. The article stated that Senator Kerry is contemplating foregoing all public funds, so that he may spend his entire political coffers as he sees fit. As the election laws currently stand, candidates who are running for office are eligible for matching funds from the federal government if they so choose to accept them. The catch is, that since these funds are from the federal government, there are certain ways the monies must be spent. The attractability of reject-

ing these funds by candidates is that they can then raise as much money as they see fit, and can use it in a number of ways to get their message across without being constrained by the all-to-common bureaucratic red-tape.

Does it bother you that your hard-earned tax dollars are being spent to fund these political campaigns? If it doesn't then, I think I'll run for President and you can fund my campaign. In the last presidential campaign, between the two major parties, approximately 400 million dollars was spent, and those numbers will more than likely be exceeded in the 2004 presidential election. It is disgusting how much money it takes to wage an effective

political campaign these days. Throw the high-media stakes game of presidential politics into the mix, and many candidates and indeed political parties feel that the money is well worth it.

It seems to me that this money could be better spent to deal with pressing issues in this country such as poverty, AIDS research, and education to name just a few. Recent attempts at campaign finance laws have fallen on deaf ears, as candidates and politicians are wary of restricting the cash flow from wealthy donors. Ever attend a \$10,000 a plate Republican or Democratic dinner? Don't these high contributions mean then that votes can be bought? (Which is, by the way, illegal.)

So here is what I think should happen. George Bush and his democratic opponent should each be given the same amount of money, perhaps one million dollars. This would keep the game fair. Then the two of them should start stumping across the country to garner support. All of their political advisors and media specialists and all the crap that goes with them in a campaign should be fired. Just a handful of people including their spouses getting their message out to the people the old-fashioned way, is all they should need. This would put their abilities to the test, and then maybe we would finally be able to find a candidate who is worthy of this nation's highest office.

I am obviously dreaming about a

political utopia, which will never exist; however, I think I have made my point. In the end, millions and millions of dollars will be spent on vicious ad attack campaigns, fancy dinners, airplane fuel, and food for the faithful media sheep that follow the candidates around the nation.

We may never know the true abilities of our political candidates because, in the end, their advisers carefully construct a profile that they want us to hear. The media also manipulates for us citizens the message they want us to hear. If money is the root of all evil, then modern presidential candidates (and political parties) are selling out our nation to the devil. Enjoy this food for thought.

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Check ISEP programs at www.isep.org

SGA Update: *Good times, new ideas*

By BRIANNA STROPE

Flashlight Writer

The Student Government Association held its annual retreat this past weekend at my cottage at Elk Lake in the remote town of Elk Lake, PA. Twelve Senators attended the one night, one day retreat. The retreat aims at familiarizing new Senators with returning Senators and the entire Senate process.

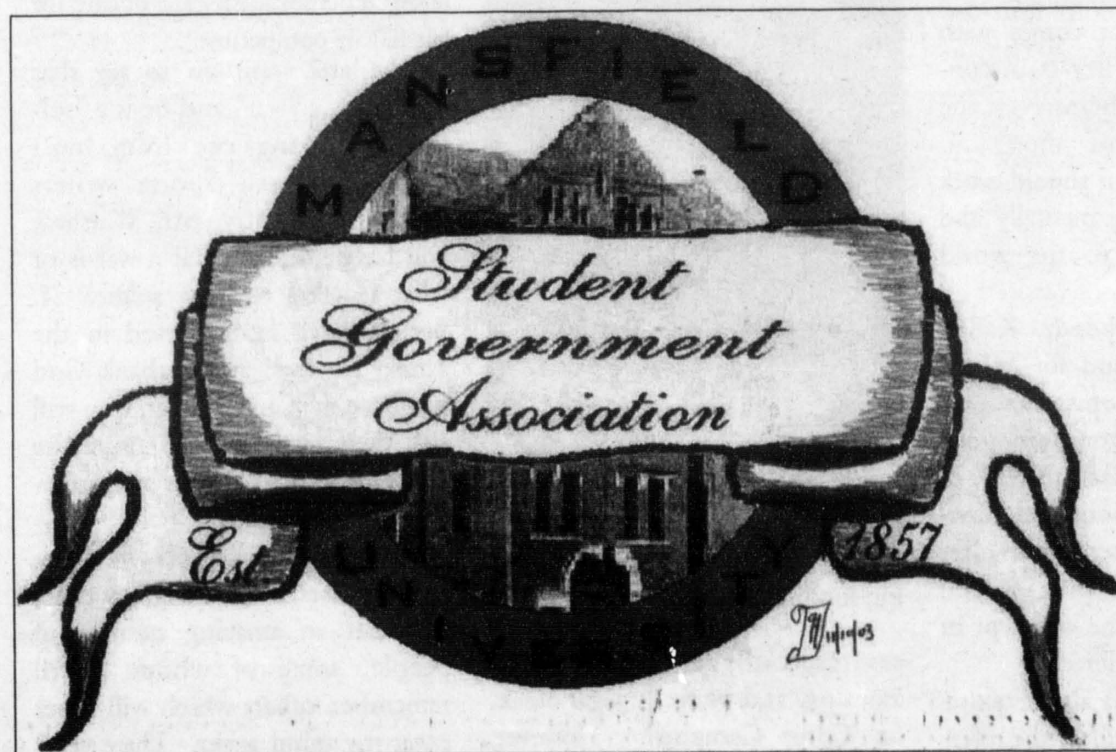
SGA would like to sponsor a Unity Day on campus to promote the many organizations coming together as one and promoting the different cultures and activities that are not only here at Mansfield, but around the world.

We would like to hold different lecture series events to make aware the ethnicities and cultures of numerous students, in hopes of having more students be accepting and educated to prevent ignorance among the

members of the community here.

The last of the important issues that we discussed was the level of comfort at speaking during meetings and involving the new Senators. We discussed procedures during our meetings and gave our new Senators examples of when it is appropriate to bring issues to the floor or make relevant comments. We focused on sections of our meetings that might have been confusing, and explained what would happen in those incidents, in order to make them aware of the many different options that SGA could explore in dealing with them.

All in all, we had a wonderful night at our retreat. When we returned Saturday afternoon, I believe we all felt more comfortable and familiar with each other. The bonds created this past weekend will remain and keep SGA working as an organization should.



This new SGA logo, designed by SGA senator Chris Hake, will be used on all SGA materials and T-shirts next semester. Hake's design was voted the best by the senators at Monday's meeting. He received \$50 flex money as a prize.

On the Sidelines: Benjamin Israel

By **MICHAEL PETERS**

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University cross-country team is winding down their season.

The cross-country season officially ends on Nov. 22 with the NCAA Nationals in North Carolina. These students will finally get a break from training, conditioning and running all the time. Well, not all of them.

The indoor track team starts their season Dec. 6 with the Bucknell Open at Bucknell University. The team will be in constant preparation for this opening meet, as they will for the entire four-month season. For many athletes on the cross-country team, this season in an extension of a never-ending running season.

Sophomore biology major and Scholar Athlete, Benjamin Israel is one of the few who has dedicated his collegiate career to getting a solid education and running towards success. Israel is in his second season with the team. He has a passion for what he does on and off the track. Israel has high expectations for the

upcoming indoor season as well as the future of the program.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

Benjamin Israel: I am sophomore biology major.

MP: What made you choose that major?

BI: I grew up in the country. I have always been interested in wildlife, nature and how everything in works. I would like to have a career where I do research involving my interest in nature and wildlife.

MP: Where are you from?

BI: I am from Mansfield, PA.

MP: How old are you?

BI: I am 19 years old.

MP: Why did you decide to come here to Mansfield University?

BI: I heard many good things about the biology program at Mansfield University.

MP: What is your favorite sport besides cross-country?

BI: Indoor track, of course! My favorite non-running sport would have to be soccer.

MP: When did you start to run competitively?

BI: I started running on the track

team during the spring of my senior year. At first, I started out training with the sprinters, but it did not take long before I switched over to running distance events.

MP: What events do you run?

BI: Mostly I do mid-distance and distance events ranging from 800-5000 meters.

MP: Why did you choose to be a runner?

BI: When I played soccer my senior year, one of my strongest features was my running. I was not always great at handling the ball well. The following spring I decided to go out for track. I have been running ever since.

MP: Did you ever participate in any other sports?

BI: Yes, I played soccer my senior year of high school.

MP: Do you participate in any other sports at the university?

BI: The only sports I participate in here are track and cross-country.

MP: Have you won any awards?

BI: Last track season I was a scholar athlete.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the team?

BI: I would have to say the best part of being on the team is my teammates. Being with a group of people who enjoy track as much as I do is great. They are a great bunch of people.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

BI: My teammates always keep me going. Sometimes I will get discouraged, but my teammates always manage to encourage me and keep me going.

MP: Is there anything you do before an event, like a routine or superstition?

BI: Usually I say a prayer asking God to help me to run well and have a good race.

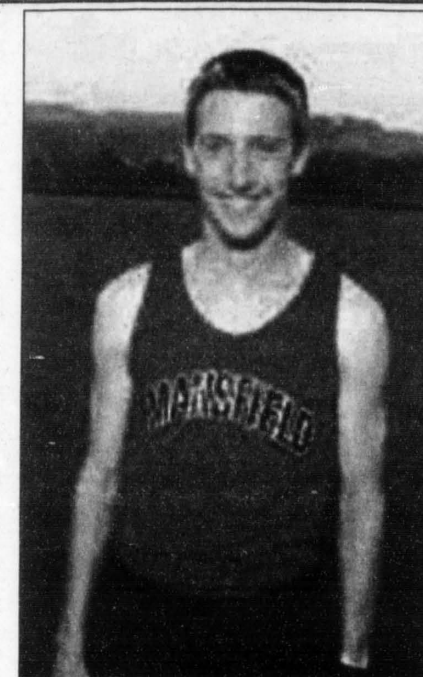
MP: What one thing you learned from running that you will carry on with you in your future?

BI: I have learned that you never know what you can do until you believe in yourself and try. Being a part of the MU team has helped me realize this.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

BI: Employed in some sort of research position.

MP: How is the team going to do



SPORTS INFORMATION

Israel finished the East Regionals this past Saturday with a time of 35:19. Overall the men finished with a 11th place finish which is the best finish in school history.

this season?

BI: I think the team is going to do pretty well this season. Many of the people on the team have improved since last year, and we have some new people with great talent. It promises to be an exciting season.

This Week in Sports: 'I'm a (expletive) soldier'

By **JAMES SHAPPELL**

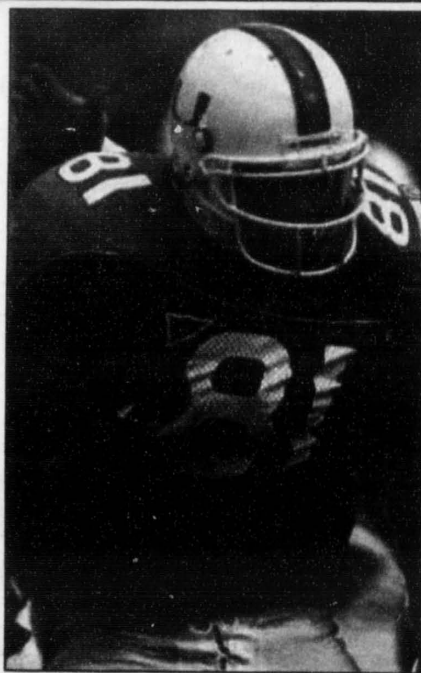
Flashlight Sports Writer

Whenever I watch a sporting event, I get into it.

I want my favorite team to win and I want my favorite athletes to perform well. Naturally, there's a different psyche that comes with being an athlete. They train constantly to make themselves the strongest competitor they can. Maybe some of them should work as hard at becoming mentally and emotionally aware to the world around them.

This past weekend, Kellen Winslow II, tight end for Miami University, made comments that went above and beyond emotions and the control, or lack thereof, of them. His frustrations had obviously gotten the better of him after the Hurricanes lost their second game in a row, and he was kept in check by the SEC referees.

Winslow was told about taunting players on the field by the refer-



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Winslow expressed himself after Miami's second loss of the season in a post-game interview, describing football as war.

ees, especially after making an amazing, and perfectly legal block, on Corey Campbell. However,

Campbell was injured on the play, and there is a certain amount of respect and concern that should be shown when hurting another player on the field. Winslow, in some slang and profane language, showed blatant disregard or care for his fellow competitor.

He later went on to say that football is a "war" and he is a "soldier." Taking cue from most announcers and sports writers across the country, Mr. Winslow, you have no idea what a war is or what it takes to be a soldier. I, myself, have never served in the armed services, and I thank God for those men and women who will risk their own lives to ensure the safety of mine. That is not something to take lightly.

I wait tables as a job when I'm not in classes, and during that time, I've met an amazing number of people, some of whom I will remember, others which will never enter my mind again. Three years

ago, I remember waiting on an older gentleman in a wheel chair, who was missing an arm. As I talked to him and his wife, I learned that he had served in World War II, and lost his arm there. His wife told me about the horrific stories of men losing their lives around him. The shock terrified me, and I could think of nothing more than to thank this man for ensuring my freedom. I could see the tears forming in his eyes from the memories spinning in his mind.

That, Kellen, is a soldier. That, is what happens in a war. Winslow is receiving his college education for free, and will go on to make millions upon millions of dollars for playing a game. We all get to live our lives day in and day out because of men and women who risk their lives in a situation that is far more severe than a game.

Winslow has since apologized for his actions, but I still felt the issue needed to be addressed.

Sometimes we speak before we think, and don't even realize how horrible we may sound. Winslow helped to stereo-type young adults and our ignorance of important events in front of us. Too many of us have no idea of the occurrences in the Middle-East or of past wars.

Often times we live our lives and don't ask why we have our freedom or how we got our freedom or especially, who has defended our freedom. We take these things for granted and live in a world that allows most of us to do so. But, odds are that we all know an athlete and we all know a soldier, and odds are, we can definitely make a distinction between the two. So, maybe the next time you think you are in a bad situation, or you become frustrated with the way the world is working (or the way a referee is calling a game), remember why you have the right to be in that situation or the right to be frustrated, and never take it for granted.

Mountaineers end '03 cross country season in record fashion

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Charity Learn was the first to do it last season for the Mounties. This time around she was joined by Rachel Hal, Josh Wooten and Chris Cummings.

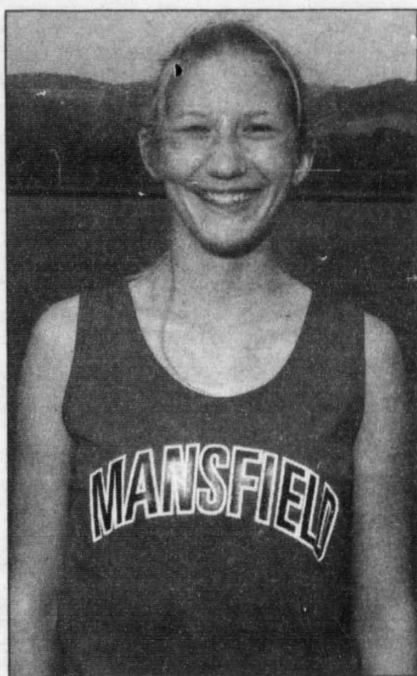
These talented athletes earned All-Regional Honors for their performances at the Division II East Regional Championships on Nov. 8 at Lock Haven University.

"I was real excited about the way the team ran this past weekend," head coach Michael Rohl said. "In cross country, season records mean nothing for conference and regional standings. That is why cross country runners try to peak at the end of the season. It's my job as a coach to make sure that happens. Our team peaked perfectly."

Learn placed seventh overall at 22:23 while Hall followed her heels, seven seconds behind with a time of 22:30. Hall was only the second female in history to receive regional honors. "Five of seven women ran the best times of not only the season but of their career," Rohl said.

Theresa Stanford, Kristin Weller, Ashley Tierney and Amanda Kendrick helped roll the Mounties to eight place overall in team competition. This was the women's best finish as they topped West Chester, California (Pa), Millersville, Lock Haven and Slippery Rock. Jana Kaufman of Lock Haven and California's Hillary Snyder were the top finishers for their respective schools.

Josh Wooten and Chris Cummings lifted the Mountie men's team to an 11th place finish.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Freshman Rachel Hall became the second female in school history to earn regional honors.

Like the women, the men's team had their best finish ever. The Mounties ran ahead of five PSAC schools including Clarion University. "This was a big jump for the program which has never had a team finish in the top ten before," Rohl said. "Josh Wooten and Chris Cummings became the school's first ever All-Region runners."

Rich Correll, Ben Israel and Jon Holtz helped in the men's efforts as well. Chris Cowan of the Lock Haven University Bald Eagles finished third overall for individual performance. Cowan posted a time of 31:24.

"The best thing about this year's performances is that six of the women are back next year and all seven of the men are returning," Rohl said.

Mountie swimming falls to the Bald Eagles, 145-98

By JEANNETTE ESTEVES
Flashlight Sports Writer

Mansfield University's swim team swam hard and fast to keep up with Lock Haven University losing 145-98, but they are getting one stroke closer to their conference qualification time.

No school records were broken at this meet on Nov. 8, but many women showed improvements in various events.

"It was a tough loss but everyone performed really well and we can only expect better results," Melissa Recchiuti said.

According to Coach Fox, freshman Eileen Spellman, who had been injured, swam 12 seconds faster in the 200-yard free going from 2:15.78 to 2:03 and sophomore Andrea Popovic had a 13 second drop in time for the 1000-yard free going from 11:50.42 to 11:30, which makes her nine seconds closer to her qualifying time for the PSAC conference.

Other women on the team are not far from reaching their goals this year. Abbe Tipton is within three seconds of qualifying in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:07.04, and Daniella Borrelli is also three seconds from qualifying in the 100-yard butterfly (1:06.41) finishing second. She also finished second in the 200-yard individual medley (2:32.24), and the 200-yard butterfly (2:36.98).

"The better team won, clearly Lock Haven has very fast women, but our Mountie swimmers did what they could. We even had people who stepped up and did new events," Fox said.

Melissa Recchiuti stepped up to do the 100-yard butterfly which she has never done before, and Jill Netterman did the 1000-yard free.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Andrea Popovic had a 13 second drop in time for the 1000-yard free going from 11:50.42 to 11:30.

"They did that because they wanted to try to win, using a new strategy to win by the numbers and not necessarily by speed," Fox said.

For where they are, the majority of the women are doing what is expected, but Coach Fox feels that there are a couple of women she was expecting a little more from during this meet.

"IUP is the meet that we want

people who are close to hitting their qualifying times to hit, this is a meet that we want things to click," Fox said.

The Mounties next meet which was originally scheduled for Sat. Nov. 15 has been changed to noon on Sun. Nov. 16 at the Pool at Decker Gymnasium as Mansfield plays host to Kings College in a non-conference meet.

Picks of the Week

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	(63-49)	(62-50)	(48-64)	(63-49)	(62-50)
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Redskins @ Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers
Texans @ Bills	Texans	Texans	Bills	Texans	Bills
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Chiefs @ Bengals	Chiefs	Chiefs	Bengals	Chiefs	Chiefs
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Jaguars @ Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans
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Packers @ Bucs	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
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Women's basketball take part in Disney Tip-off

By CHAD LANDERS
Flashlight Sports Writer

Respect is the main focus for Mountaineer head coach Ruth Henderson-Hermansen and her team this year.

The Mountie women's basketball received the ultimate sign of respect becoming one of four teams in the nation invited to the Walt Disney NCAA Division II Tip-Off Classic Nov. 7-9.

"This is a great opportunity for us," Henderson said. "To be invited to the elite Tip-Off Tournament in the nation says a lot about how much our program has improved."

The Mounties worked hard this off-season to prepare for life without graduated seniors Lynelle Mosley and Allyson Buss. Mosley and Buss led the team in free-throw shooting, three-pointers, and points.

This year, the Mounties welcome back junior center Alison Tagliaferri, the PSAC Rookie of the Year and a First Team All-PSAC East as a freshman two years ago. Tagliaferri missed most of last season because of injury, playing in only six games for the Mounties. Two other returning starters for the Mounties are junior guard Stephanie Rieser and senior forward Rachel Rieder. Last years PSAC East Rookie of the Year, junior guard Danna Purnell, also returns for the Mounties this season. Along

with the stars on the team, the Mounties feature an impressive cast of role players, who will be called upon to step up for coach Henderson immediately.

The Mounties traveled to Disney to play three of the top teams in the nation on Nov. 7 hoping to improve upon their 11-15 record of last year. In their first game in Disney, the Mounties faced #1 ranked South Dakota at 1 p.m. on Nov. 7 at the Walt Disney World Sports Complex. In her first game in Orlando, Tagliaferri scored eight points in a Mountie loss, 64-32. Freshman Christine Ross equaled Tagliaferri with eight points of her own in her Mountaineer debut.

Rieser hit a lay-up in the first minute of the game to give the Mounties an early 2-0 lead, but after that South Dakota controlled the rest of the game. The rust showed for the Mounties as they turned the ball over 27 times while shooting just 27.5 percent from the floor. Senior guard Jessica Pfeiffer added seven points while Rieser had a team high seven rebounds for the Mounties. All-American Mandy Koupal led South Dakota with 15 points while Erin Bourne added 15 points of her own.

The next day the Mounties faced the #6 team in the nation the University of Central Arkansas at 1 p.m. Tagliaferri scored 16 points to

lead the Mounties and Pfeiffer scored 15 points in a Mountaineer 77-64 loss.

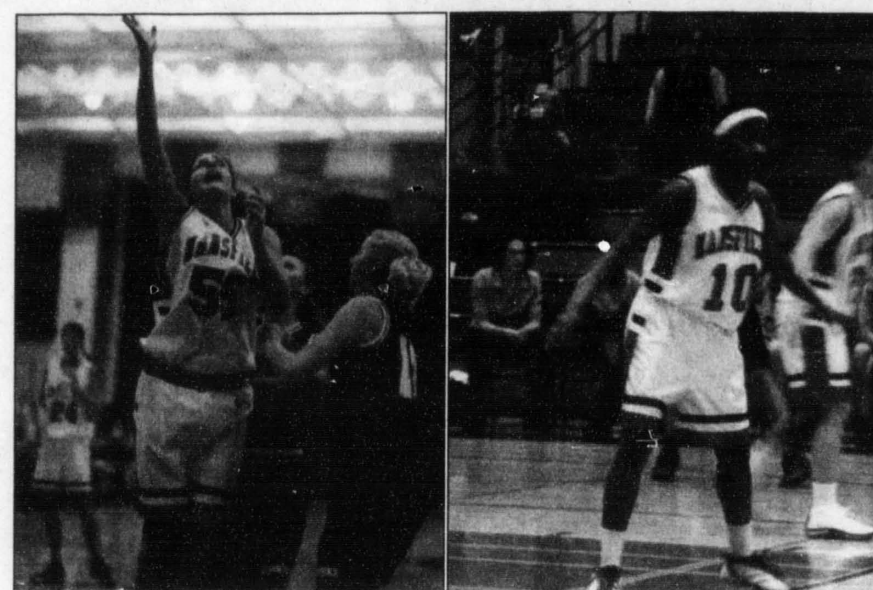
Central Arkansas started the game on an 11-2 run, but the Mounties cut the lead to 34-33 on a Tagliaferri jump shot with less than two minutes to play in the first half. The Mounties trailed 43-37 entering half time. In the second half, the Mountaineers came out focused, tying the game at 51, when Pfeiffer hit a three-pointer. Ross gave the Mounties the lead at 56-55 with 12:08 to play. Central Arkansas was too much for the Mounties and went on an 11-0 run to take back the lead at 66-56 on their way to a 77-64 victory.

After two tough losses to South Dakota and Central Arkansas, the Mounties finished off their road trip against #12 ranked Drury University Nov. 9 before returning home.

In the 76-28 loss to Drury, the Mounties' Tagliaferri was named to the All-Tournament team. Tagliaferri scored a team high eight points and pulled down seven rebounds in the game. Tagliaferri totaled 32 points in the three games for the Mounties.

In the loss to Drury, the Mounties turned the ball over 40 times and shot just 26.5% from the field. The Mountaineers fell to 0-3 with all three losses coming to three of the nation's top teams.

The Mounties now travel home and prepare for their home opener at 7 p.m. on Nov. 19 against Lock Haven University.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Alison Tagliaferri (left) returns after missing last season due to injury and last seasons PSAC East Rookie of the year, Danna Purnell (right) looks to continue last seasons success.

2003/04 PSAC East Pre-Season Poll

EAST

1. West Chester
2. Millersville
3. Bloomsburg
4. Mansfield
5. Kutztown
6. East Stroudsburg
7. Cheyney

WEST

1. California
2. Indiana
3. Shippensburg
4. Edinboro
5. Clarion
6. Slippery Rock
7. Lock Haven

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Football				West Chester 1 p.m.			
Men's Basketball							Wesleyan College Away
Swimming					King's College Away		
Women's Basketball							

Mansfield drops heartbreaker to Huskies

By JONATHAN SCHWAB
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team lost 21-6 to the Bloomsburg Huskies on Nov. 8 at Bloomsburg.

The loss drops the Mounties to 8-2 overall and 3-2 PSAC East. It ends Mansfield's hopes of winning the PSAC East title.

The Mountaineers fell behind 7-0 midway through the first quarter on a five yard touchdown run by freshman running back Josh Heck. Bloomsburg struck again on their next possession, as quarterback Jack Lydic passed to tight end Luke Kuklick for a three yard touchdown to extend the Huskies lead to 14-0.

Mansfield trailed 14-0 after the first quarter. Their offense did not make a single first down the entire quarter. They were held to a total of six yards.

Bloomsburg's third possession appeared to be headed for another score, as they drove down to the Mountaineers six-yard line. The Mounties defense stiffened and forced a field goal attempt. The kick by Bloomsburg's Tim Oliver was blocked by Daricus Haynes, giving the momentum to the Mounties.

That momentum would be short live as Mansfield's offense

"We're not making any excuses about injuries," Woods said. "We expect to execute no matter who's in the game and today we didn't do a good job of that during key plays."

-Coach Chris Woods

continued to be unable to get a first down, and punted the ball right back to Bloomsburg. The Huskies needed only six plays to push their lead to 21-0. Lydic found wide receiver Steve Burke wide open behind the secondary for a 53 yard touchdown pass. Mansfield found themselves facing their largest deficit since the East Stroudsburg game.

Mansfield red-shirt freshman linebacker Andre Turner attributed the Mounties slow start to Bloomsburg being completely prepared to play.

"They came out tough against us," Turner said. "They were definitely ready to play."

Mansfield did get their initial first down of the game on the next drive, when quarterback Travis Motley threw to wide receiver Luke Hill for a 16 yard completion. It also represented Mansfield's first trip into Bloomsburg territory. The drive stalled after that and the Mounties were forced to punt for

the fourth time in the first half.

Both offenses remained quiet until Mansfield's last possession of the first half.

The series began on the Mounties 26-yard line. Motley completed back-to-back passes to wide receivers Brian Giannotta and Joe Bennett to get the ball into Bloomsburg territory. The Mountaineers picked up another first down and advanced the ball down to the Bloomsburg 26-yard line. Unfortunately for Mansfield, time ran out on the half and the score remained 21-0 in Bloomsburg's favor at halftime.

Mansfield came out in the second half with a series that mirrored those of the first half. They ran three plays and were unable to pick up a first down and were forced to punt. The Mounties defense was able to set a positive tone for the second half by stopping Bloomsburg on its first series of the half. It was a tone that would carry through the second half. Turner credited the success in the second half to increased toughness. "We came out of halftime with much better intensity," Turner said. "We played physical, Mansfield-style football in the second half."

The Mountaineers defense allowed only 91 yards the entire



SPORTS INFORMATION

Joe Bennett became the first Mountaineer to surpass 1,000 receiving yards in a single season.

second half.

The Mounties drove from their 27-yard line to the Bloomsburg 39-yard line on their next drive before it sputtered to a stop. The Mansfield defense stopped Bloomsburg on the next possession, Mansfield started with great field position, at the Bloomsburg 36-yard line. The Mountaineers nearly drove in for a score. Motley completed what would have been a two yard touchdown pass to Bennett but a penalty negated the score and the Mounties came up empty on the drive. The rest of third quarter settled into a defensive battle and at the end of the third quarter, the score remained 21-0.

Mansfield's only score came early in the fourth quarter. Motley threw a 12-yard pass to Bennett on a fourth down to give the Mounties their only points of the game. The pass capped a 14 play, 89 yard drive by Mansfield.

The Mounties did get a couple more chances to trim the deficit further. Luke Hill's 34 yard punt return set the Mountaineers up in great field position at their 44-yard line. They were unable to do anything with it and they punted the ball away. They drove down to the Bloomsburg 29-yard line on their last series of the game, but Motley was sacked on consecutive plays to end that threat.

The offensive line, playing with three starters out and a fourth playing with a broken hand, finally showed some holes. Head Coach

Chris Woods refused to use injuries as an excuse for the defeat. "We're not making any excuses about injuries," Woods said. "We expect to execute no matter who's in the game and today we didn't do a good job of that during key plays."

For Bloomsburg, the win clinched at least a piece of the PSAC East title. They improved to 5-1 in the PSAC East and 7-3 overall. Heck ran for 105 yards and a touchdown. Lydic threw for 159 yards and two touchdowns. Dominick Esgro had four tackles, two and a half for a loss and two sacks. Aaron Zeamer added four tackles and one and a half sacks for the Huskies.

The Mountaineer offense was led by Travis Motley's biggest passing day of the season. Motley completed 26 of his 46 passes for 269 yards and a touchdown. Earnest McNeal, the leading rusher in Division II, was held to 50 yards on 16 carries. Bennett caught nine passes for 115 yards and a touchdown, becoming the first Mansfield player to ever record 1,000 receiving yards in a single season. Turner had twelve tackles to lead the defense. Brian DeCecco and Dan Holland also hit double digits in tackles, with eleven and ten respectively.

The Mounties play their final game of the season against West Chester. Game time is at 1 p. m. on Nov. 15 at Karl Van Norman Field.

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Season of 'anticipation' about to tip-off

Men ranked 4th in pre-season poll

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Two years ago, the season was labeled as a 'Season of high expectations,' now it's a season of anticipation.

With ten players returning from last years team, which include four starters, the 18-11 Mounties that reached the PSAC playoffs before winning the ECAC Division II South Region Championship a year ago are ready to tip off the 2003/04 season.

Why wouldn't they be ready? This years team has their top three scorers from a year ago in the likes of seniors Ian Connor, Brett Longpre' and sophomore Bill McNeil back.

Along with these three the Mounties have six seniors along with experienced players in the front court with Glenn Jackson and Rob Carter.

On paper the Mounties look like one of the best teams in the PSAC, especially with the senior leadership the team has in their six seniors.

"I didn't realize how much it helps this year til practice," Coach Vince Alexander said referring to the teams six seniors. "You have the young guys who don't quite understand then [the seniors] will step up and tell them. They have been here they know what's going on. They give you valuable help that they're directing guys just as I am. I think peer pressure is a lot better than pressure from the coach. I think hearing from the peers that your not doing it right or need to do it right in means a lot more."

Also returning for the Mounties are three players that earned significant minutes last year in the likes of Jason Roscoe,

"Honestly, with the preseason rankings I try not to base my year on those," Alexander said. "No one who voted has been in our practices or know the type of players we have. [The polls] are based a lot on what you finished last year and what you did last year. We have to come out and play the season like we are number one and gain respect. They think we're fourth, we have to come out and play like we're better. We feel like we're better, but we also haven't played any games."

-Coach Vince Alexander

Brian Bryant, and Jeremy Frey. Adding depth for Mansfield this season will be junior Ian Anderson and sophomore Dave Hoopes.

Along with returnees, the Mounties have a 'star-studded' recruiting class entering this season. Starting off is senior transfer Omari Pearson from UNLV.

According to Alexander, Pearson brings to the team leadership and experience to an already talented Mansfield team.

"Last year we had difficulties scoring at the four spot and I think we have taken care of that this year and that we have a young man Pearson who transferred in from UNLV that will help us a lot in conference," Alexander said.

Also joining the Mounties this season is transfer Josh Tesi, sophomore Justin Kress, Brandon DeShields, and Terrance Williams.

With senior leadership, key players returning and a 'star-studded' recruiting class the Mounties should have no problem returning to the PSAC playoffs. The 2003/04 PSAC Pre-season polls have Mansfield ranked #4, behind West Chester, Kutztown and #1 Millersville.

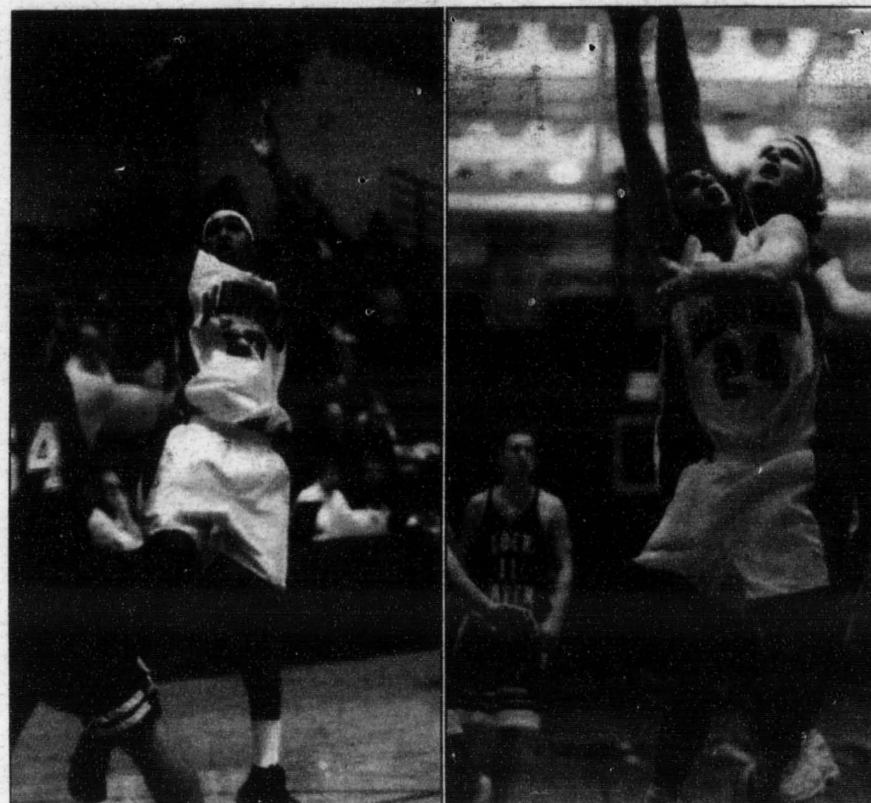
However, don't take in on what the polls say. According to

Alexander, he tries not to look at the season on what the polls have to say.

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Even though the Mounties haven't played a game, on paper they look like one of the PSAC's elite. Soon enough, Mansfield and the rest of the PSAC will see how good these Mounties can be in what looks to be a hyped up season.

The Mounties will start their season of 'anticipation' on the road against Roberts Wesleyan College on Nov. 18 and will return home to kick off the season with the annual Comfort Inn Tip-Off Classic against Bloomfield, Holy Family and Lock Haven on Nov. 21.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Mansfield has last years PSAC East Rookie of the year in McNeal (Left) and Longpre' who led the team in scoring with 18.2 ppg returning for another run at the PSAC playoffs.

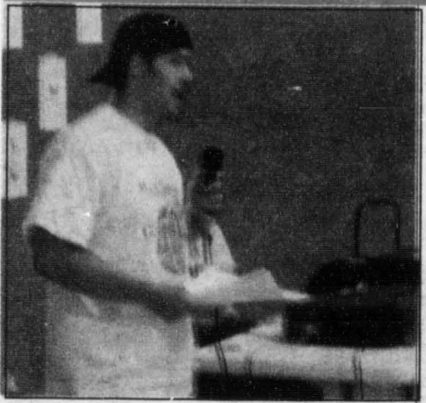
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2. Kutztown	2. Edinboro
3. West Chester	3. Indiana
4. Mansfield	4. Clarion
5. Cheyney	5. Slippery Rock
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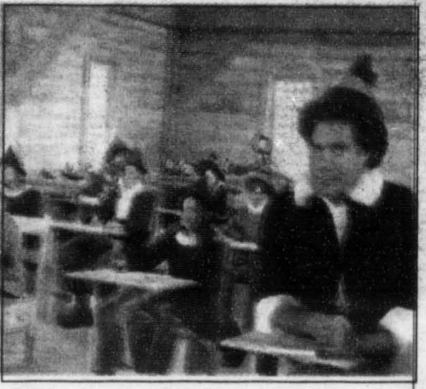
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World renowned pianist comes to MU

By **KELLY ANN MURRAY**
Flashlight Writer

World renowned concert pianist Alexander Slobodyanik performed as a guest soloist with the Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra on Sunday.

The Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra is under the direction of Adrian Bryttan. Bryttan is a one-semester assignment at Mansfield University. In addition to directing the orchestra, Bryttan also teaches all violin and viola students and presents masters classes.

Slobodyanik's visit to Mansfield included classroom activities for the musician who taught master classes and interacted with students throughout the week. A question and answer period was held on Tuesday for the pianist.

"He told us about growing up in

Russia with a government influence over his music," Sorcha Toker, a senior vocal performance major who attended the session said, "He explained that classical music was strongly emphasized in his studies, and that modern music was rarely encouraged."

Slobodyanik's prosperous career has allowed him work with famous conductors such as Leonard Bernstein, Sir John Barbirolli, Yuri Bashmet, and others. He has also appeared with many of the world's most celebrated orchestras including the New York Philharmonic, Chicago Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Cleveland Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, Montreal Symphony, and the London Symphony.

For over thirty years, Slobodyanik has enjoyed a successful international career. He made his American

debut in 1968 at Carnegie Hall, and continued to tour the United States and Canada until 1979. Tours were unfortunately stopped due to broken cultural agreements between the United States and the Soviet Union. In 1988, Slobodyanik was finally able to return to the American concert stage.

The MU Symphony Orchestra's program included Debussy's Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun, Rossini's Overture to The Italian Girl in Algiers, Mascagni's Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana and the Dvorak Wind Serenade and the solo, Stravinsky's Petrushka. Slobodyanik impressed the crowd with his final solo, receiving an extended standing ovation.

Shannon Schiavo, a sophomore music performance major, plays flute for the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra and had the privilege of working with Slobodyanik. "He was

very prepared and easy to work with," Schiavo said. "It would have been exciting if he were here longer so we could have worked with him individually."

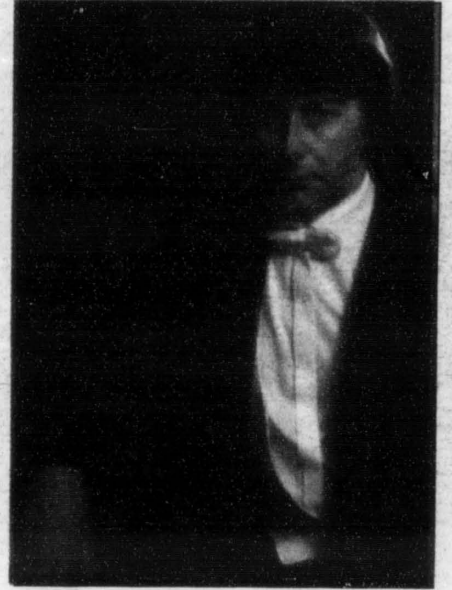


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Greeks on campus help at Phone-A-Thon

By **JAIME ZUBLICK**
Flashlight Writer

In the past the Phone-a-Thon was a responsibility of Greek organizations on campus.

Five years ago Dixie Sheridan took over the Phone-a-Thon project. Once she began to hire employees for the project, there was no longer a need for the Greeks to volunteer their time.

The Phone-a-Thon is a yearly project aimed at receiving gifts for the Mansfield Fund. The cost of tuition has risen nearly five percent in the past year. While the cost of attending state universities is on the rise, financial aid such as scholarships are at a standstill,

leaving students dependant on scholarships in need of loans to complete their education.

The Mansfield Fund helps to aid these students in paying for their tuition, also the gifts can be used for campus "beautification or technology." There are two types of gifts that can be given, restricted or unrestricted. When a donor wishes to restrict their gift it means that they want the money to go to a specific area, like a scholarship, major or organization. If a gift is left unrestricted, it can be spread out wherever it should be needed. The Mansfield fund has a goal amount of \$400,000 in gifts. It was estimated that going into this week that goal was about one quarter complete.

Greek organizations began donating their time Monday and will continue through tomorrow.

"There are three reasons why 'non-major specific' Greeks are getting involved with the Phone-a-Thon," Jody Hare, Director of Student Organizations, Leadership & Greek Life, said, "First, because it was originally their project and service to the university. Second, to show their appre-

ciation and gratitude towards a campus that has given so much to them. Third, it gives the Greek community as a whole a chance to build a database of alumni who were Greek while attending the university." There are also some other incentives for Greeks to get involved with this project. Greek organizations on the Mansfield University campus are rated by what is called the Star System.

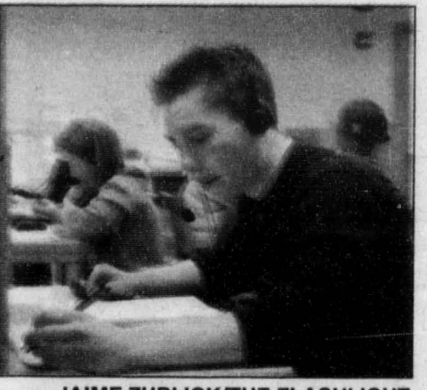
According to the MU website, "The Star System will hold our Greek societies more accountable. We will reward the organizations that excel in service, academics, and campus/community involvement, and we will assist the organizations that contribute negatively to the Greek system by helping them make the changes necessary for success."

There are two main reasons why the StarSystem is an incentive for Greeks. First, the "rewards" of the Star System are monetary; this money comes from the Mansfield Fund. Therefore, the harder Greeks work to get gifts for the fund, the more readily available money will be to keep the Star System alive. Second, participation in the Phone-a-

Thon gives the respective organizations what Hare calls "Flex Points." Greek organizations can earn up to 75 points which then can be placed into any of the aforementioned categories to help fulfill a 60 percent requirement for each of those groups. The organizations are also competing for a \$250 prize which can help buy materials for rush events or similar expenditures.

"We do it for the students," Harmony Leonard, Director of the Mansfield Fund, said.

In May, \$184,550 was to be allocated amongst several categories. \$53,500 went towards Scholarships, \$47,750 went to Academic Programs, \$30,000 to Faculty Professional Development and Research, \$17,900 to Campus Improvements, and the remainder to miscellaneous expenditures (i.e. the Greek Life System, speakers, the Global Issues Forum). All of these categories are geared toward aiding students or improving the experience while here at Mansfield University. Also, having alumni support their alma mater can help increase the value of a diploma from the university.



JAIME ZUBLICK/THE FLASHLIGHT
Mike Taylor of Sigma Tau Gamma calls during the Phone-A-Thon.

Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

★ The holiday season has arrived! Come out and have some fun with Breakfast with Santa, sponsored by SGA. It will take place on December 6 from 9 a.m. to noon in South Side and is for all children and parents in the community. Santa Claus arrives at 10:30 a.m. For more information contact Krista Tyner at 662-4027

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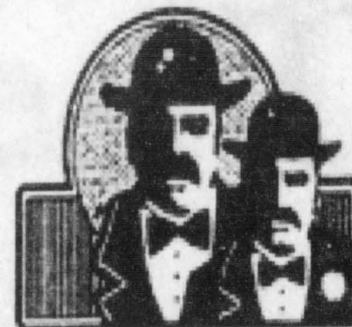
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BSU invites the campus to celebrate Kwanzaa

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

The Black Student Union is sponsoring its annual Kwanzaa celebratory banquet dinner on Dec. 5.

In addition to recognizing the contributions of its members, the BSU will be kicking off its Kwanzaa holiday celebration at the dinner. Kwanzaa, which is officially celebrated Dec. 26 to Jan. 1, is the only nationally recognized African-American non-heroic, non-religious community celebration.

According to Annie Cooper, adviser to the BSU, "the banquet dinner is a way to introduce the campus and community to a part of the African-American culture, while emphasizing the seven principles which are a very good set of rules for everyone to follow in their daily lives."

During Kwanzaa, many homes are decorated in black, red and green, and the "Nguzo Saba," or seven principles along with the traditional Kwanzaa celebrations are displayed. The Civil Rights activist Dr. Maulana Karenga created Kwanzaa in 1966, and the holiday is a time "for renewing and strengthening

the bonds between people; giving honor and respect to ancestors; teaching respect for cultural traditions, as well as fellowship, learning, and sharing."

On Dec. 31, a feast called "Karamu" is held featuring a wide array of foods. Activities such as singing, drumming, and dancing are performed, and at each meal in the evening the family comes together to light a candle and speak for the principle of the day.

The BSU banquet dinner will feature student entertainment including the Mansfield University Gospel Choir, and the Zodiak Stance Dance Team. Akirah Bradley, President of the Black Student Union will be speaking along with another senior student on the meaning of Kwanzaa and its seven principles.

Tickets for students without meal cards and children under the age of 12 are \$3.00, for everyone else, the cost is \$8.00.

If you would like to sign up for the dinner or if you have questions can contact Annie Cooper in AHUB 311 at 662-4381, or contact the BSU directly in Pinecrest 110 at 662-4987.

What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE
Flashlight Writer

World News:

ISTANBUL, TURKEY- Two car bombs exploded outside synagogues filled with worshippers during Sabbath prayers on Saturday killing 20 people and wounding another 260. Foreign minister Abdullah Gul said there were "international connections" to the attacks, which occurred very close to one another. One bomb exploded in one of the largest synagogues, in which hundreds were gathered to celebrate the bar mitzvah coming-of-age ceremony for a young man. Police are still investigating to see whether the Al-Qaida terrorist network had any connection to the attacks.

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY- On Friday, police removed the corpse of a man who is believed to have hanged himself almost a year ago. Students at Budapest's University of Arts discovered the body after many had mistakenly taken it for a modern art sculpture. The body hung for a whole day in a garden that had been reopened for repairs until onlookers realized what it was, and called the police. The building in which the body was found, had been closed five years ago pending construction work that was to begin the day the body was discovered.

National News:

WASHINGTON, D.C.- According to a UN panel, the Al-Qaida terror network is "determined to use

chemical and biological weapons and is restrained only by the technical difficulties of doing so." Sanctions that were put on supporters of the organization appear to be "too limited to prevent them from obtaining weapons and explosives," a report released Friday said. Experts have stated that the reason sanctions and bans were not working is because governments were not enforcing them well enough, on top of which the terrorists have numerous ways to circumvent them.



PITTSBURGH, PA- An outbreak of Hepatitis A is causing such a panic that people are lining up by the thousands for antibody shots. This latest outbreak, is believed to be the worst known outbreak of Hepatitis A in history, and prompted the Center for Disease Control to send assistance. Officials are focusing on whether contaminated produce, perhaps scallions, caused the outbreak at a Chi-Chi's restaurant at the Beaver Valley Mall, just 25 miles northwest of Pittsburgh. On Friday, a third person died, and CDC spokesman David Daigle later commented, "It's very serious."

WASHINGTON, D.C.- Attorney General John Ashcroft is defending the highly controversial Patriot Act, saying that it is helping the government "make steady progress in the war on terror." At a speech in front of a group of conservative lawyers on Saturday, Ashcroft said, "Despite the hoopla, the law does not infringe on Americans' constitutional rights." The Patriot Act was enacted a few weeks after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 and expanded the government's surveillance capabilities, toughened criminal penalties for terrorists and allowed greater sharing of intelligence information.

WASHINGTON, D.C.- An oral contraceptive tablet that can be swallowed or chewed has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration. "Ovcon 35" provides another alternative to the many types of oral contraceptives that are available in the U.S. market. If the pill is chewed then swallowed, the woman should drink a full glass of water to ensure that the entire pill is absorbed and no residue is left in the mouth. The pill is available only in a 28-day regimen, and contains progestin and estrogen, which are found in contraceptives that are already marketed.

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SPORTS:

James Shappell- This Week in Sports: "I'm a (expletive) soldier"

PRSSA makes a wish and Mansfield University grants it

By MICHAEL PETERS
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) held their annual "Make-A-Wish" three-on-three basketball tournament at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday at the Kelchner Fitness Center.

come' of this event. "It was a great turnout," McCloud said. "We made over \$200 for Make-A-Wish. I could not be any happier with how these last few hours took shape."

by the play of tournament champions Mike Ross, Jamie Thompson, Lavar Hage and John Hampton. These four men came ready to play for all the right reasons.



SARAH STOERMER/THE FLASHLIGHT

Above left and right: Players at the tournament for "Make-A-Wish."

PRSSA organized this event for the Make-A-Wish Foundation in hopes of raising money to help grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions. Sunday night turned out to be successful. The entry fee was \$5 a person. For every dollar spent, a raffle ticket was given. All proceeds gathered from this event went to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Laura McCloud, senior public relations major and President of PRSSA, was pleased with the out-

For most people, playing in this double elimination tournament was not about winning. It was about having fun and supporting a good cause.

Jenn Nelson, a junior public relations and journalism major and PRSSA member, walked away from the tournament without the big prize, but she had fun regardless of the outcome. "I had a lot of fun tonight because I got to play," Nelson said. "We all played for a real good cause."

Freshman football player, Don McDonough was disappointed at the loss, but is glad that he entered the tournament. "I used to play basketball, so I decided to play again," McDonough said. "It's just too bad that I couldn't win, but it was for a good cause."

Basketball and football are two different games to be in shape for. I was winded after the first game."

"I appreciate all the people who came out to support PRSSA and the Make-A-Wish Foundation," Nelson said. "I was especially pleased with the number of athletes who attended this campus event. It's always nice to see them involved."

The tournament, which included five rounds of three on three-basketball action, was highlighted

Thompson, a junior music business major was glad he took part in the tournament. "I just came here to have fun, winning was a bonus," Thompson said. "I am just happy that I could help out the Make-A-Wish foundation."

Freshman business management major, John Hampton enjoyed the whole night. "We had a good team," Hampton said. "We did our thing, got our prizes and listened to some good music. It was a great experience."

Senior public relations major and member of PRSSA Mark Gendle is proud of everyone who took part in the tournament. "From the competitors, to the officials, to the members of PRSSA, they all deserve a big hand," Gendle said. "It was a lot of hard work. We have a very giving campus and it showed tonight."

"I would like to thank everyone who sponsored PRSSA and the Make-A-Wish Foundation for all they contributed," McCloud said. "Without Bilo, Dollar General, Domino's, Papa V's Pizza, Take Two Video, Subway, Ten West Espresso, Dunkin' Donuts of Mansfield and Wellsboro, Pizza Hut, Arcadia Theater, Wood's Dining Services, University Club, Mark's Brothers and WNTF-FM, I don't know what we would have done."

Volunteer organization restarts this semester

By TOM BEGGS
Flashlight Writer

After being dissolved a few years ago, Circle K, a volunteer group with ties to the Kiwanis Club, has been restarted this year. This is the third time the club has been attempted at Mansfield University.

The club is involved with several community service projects in the area. They will attempt to be a part of any service project they can find in the Mansfield area.

Head members of the organization are Co-presidents Jake Snyder and Laura Thomas, Vice-president Amanda Webb, Treasurer Ashley Shaw, and Secretary Pamela Kline. The adviser of the club is Joe Maresco, who is part of the Kiwanis Club of Mansfield.

Circle K decorated some of the residence halls and Alumni Hall for Halloween this year. This also helped with advertising the club on campus.

"As of now, our club is doing great. We are excited about the projects we are working on and look forward to doing more projects next semester," Kline said.

They are planning a project to adopt a family for Thanksgiving

and Christmas this year. With that responsibility, they hope to provide a meal for those families.

They will supply the family with turkey, mashed potatoes, rolls, and a dessert. As of yet, they aren't sure whether they will personally cook the meal or how many members are in each family.

On Dec. 1 they will be singing Christmas carols at Sherwood Manor in Mansfield. Circle K will also be helping to decorate Laurel Personal Care Home in Morris Run for Christmas on Dec. 3. Circle K hopes to work with the Kiwanis Club and help give gifts to the children of families in need during the holidays.

The American Cancer Society holds an annual Relay for Life which the members of the organization hope to participate in. The relay lasts from 24 to 48 hours, where participants walk or run around a track to make money for cancer research.

Any student who would like to help out others is encouraged to check out the club. It meets at 5 p.m. every Monday in room 312 of the Alumni Hall Union Building.

News from the region

By HILLARY GRUMBINE &
SARAH STOERMER
Flashlight News Co-Editors

MANSFIELD- Due to a second bankruptcy filing in five years, the Mansfield BiLo will close down at the end of the year. Stores in Lock Haven and Williamsport were also requested to close. In total, 25 BiLo stores in Pennsylvania were asked to close by Penn Traffic, but only sixteen of the stores are scheduled to close.

TIOGA COUNTY- The Tioga County Commissioners have proposed a tax hike of nearly \$1 million for 2004. On Monday, Nov. 10 the Commissioners voted to make public a \$12.4 million budget plan.

ELMIRA- Brandon Gaige of Elmira was found not guilty of the charge of manslaughter in the first degree and guilty of third degree assault. He faces up to a year in jail or three years of probation after

the death of another Elmira man, Matthew White. Gaige and White were involved in an altercation over the summer where White later died. Medical reports stated that White died of a drug overdose and not wounds received from the fight. A jury released its verdict last month but sentencing will be held Dec. 1 at 2 p.m.

CORNING- Joshua Taylor, 22, of Corning was charged with rape after police received reports of an attack on Sunday. Taylor is being held in Chemung County jail and was arraigned in Elmira City Court at 8 a.m. on Monday on a charge of first degree rape.

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Laura McCloud, President of PRSSA announces at the game.

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Mansfield graduate opens local business

By MARY SHROM

Special to the Flashlight

On Monday, Nov. 17 Mansfield's newest student hangout opened its doors. Night and Day Coffee Café is located at the intersection of Main St. and Route 6 and is now open for business.

Jessica Ricker, a Mansfield University graduate and the shop's owner, has dreamt of this day for as long as she can remember. She has been hard at work, taking months of planning and research on exactly what it would take to make this childhood dream come true.

The coffee shop is open from six in the morning until 10 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from six a.m. until midnight on Thursdays and Fridays, from seven a.m. until nine p.m. on Saturdays and nine a.m. until nine p.m. on Sundays. All espresso drinks including mochas and lattes are being served. Teas, hot chocolate, soda and juice are also available.

Night and Day Coffee Café isn't only a beverage superstore. Donuts, bagels, soft pretzels, cookies, and many more treats can be purchased there.

The prices are competitive yet reasonable,

after all "this is basically a college town. Essentially, this exists for the college students. I thought it is something that is needed here," Ricker said.

Thursday and Friday are entertainment nights. The shop features musicians and artists. This Thursday, November 20 from eight until 11:30 p.m. the featured guitarist/vocalist will be John Loux, and this Friday, November 21 the featured artist will be Allison Quinn.

The name says it all. Night and Day Coffee Café is filled with stars, moons, and suns of all colors and sizes. "This is a place where I want people to be able to have a conversation with an old friend over a cup of coffee, or a place where someone can come to study. I want people to know that they have a place to go with good atmosphere, something warm to drink, and where they can just take a minute to relax," Ricker said.

Ricker gives many thanks to her family and friends, because she wouldn't be able to do this without them.

For information concerning the opportunity to be recognized at Night and Day Coffee Café call (570) 662-1143.

Pennsylvania travelers are catching "the bug"

By DAN MASON

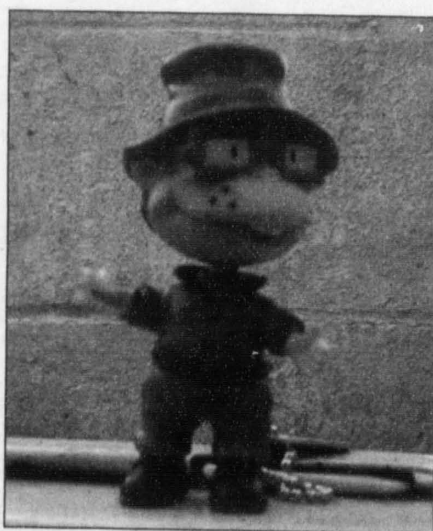
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Chuckie Finster is one of the thousands of Travel Bugs geocachers send into the world and track. He started in Massachusetts in July and has traveled over 700 miles so far.

I picked him up in a Travel Bug hotel in Sunbury PA. You can log onto geocaching.com and check the Travel Bug page to track Chuckie's travels. You can also check the travels of other travel bugs or look for caches in the Mansfield area or near your home town.

Some travel bugs have specific missions. My first travel bug's mission was to visit as many Pennsylvania caches as possible. Other travel bugs just want to travel.

One geocacher started a keychain travel



bug. The bug started with a dozen of the same key chains on one ring. The object of the TB is to travel around trading key chains around the world. Another TB is a coin collecting tube a numismatist started with U.S. pennies. He wants to trade the pennies for foreign coins of similar value.

Other geocachers have even started racing travel bugs. Some races are just to see whose bug can get from Cache A to Cache B the fastest. Others have more complicated requirements. The winner must have stopped in caches in at least four states for at least one night before heading to the finish line.

Geocaching and travel bugging activities are limited only by the imaginations of the geocaching community.

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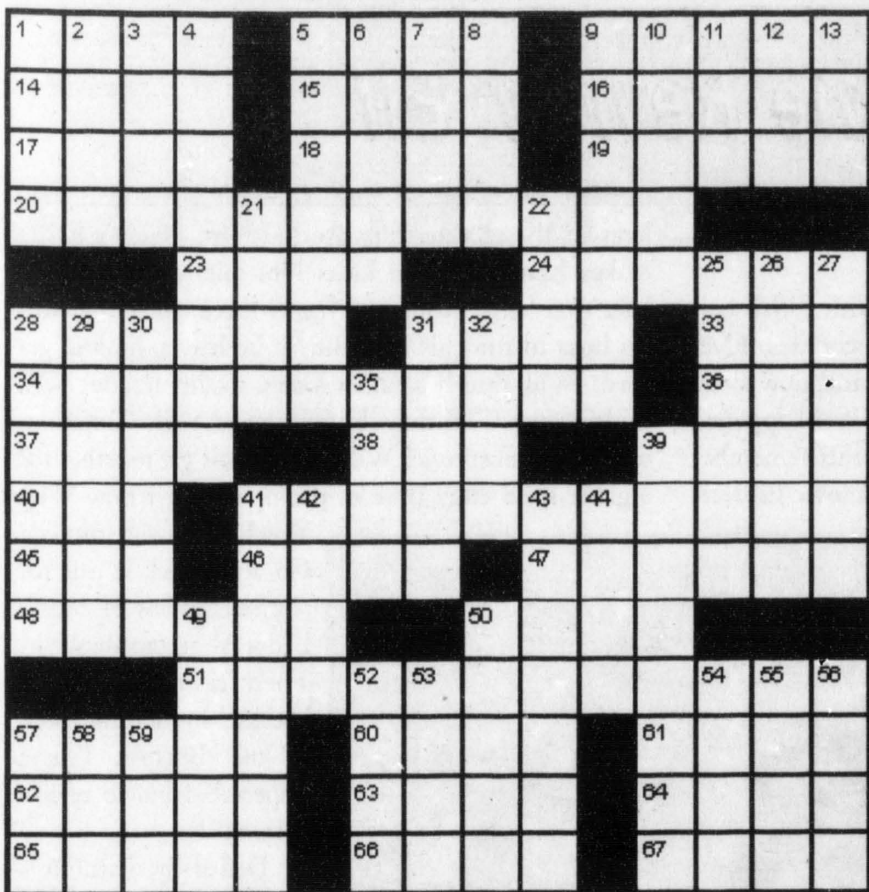
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By TINA KAMBOURIS

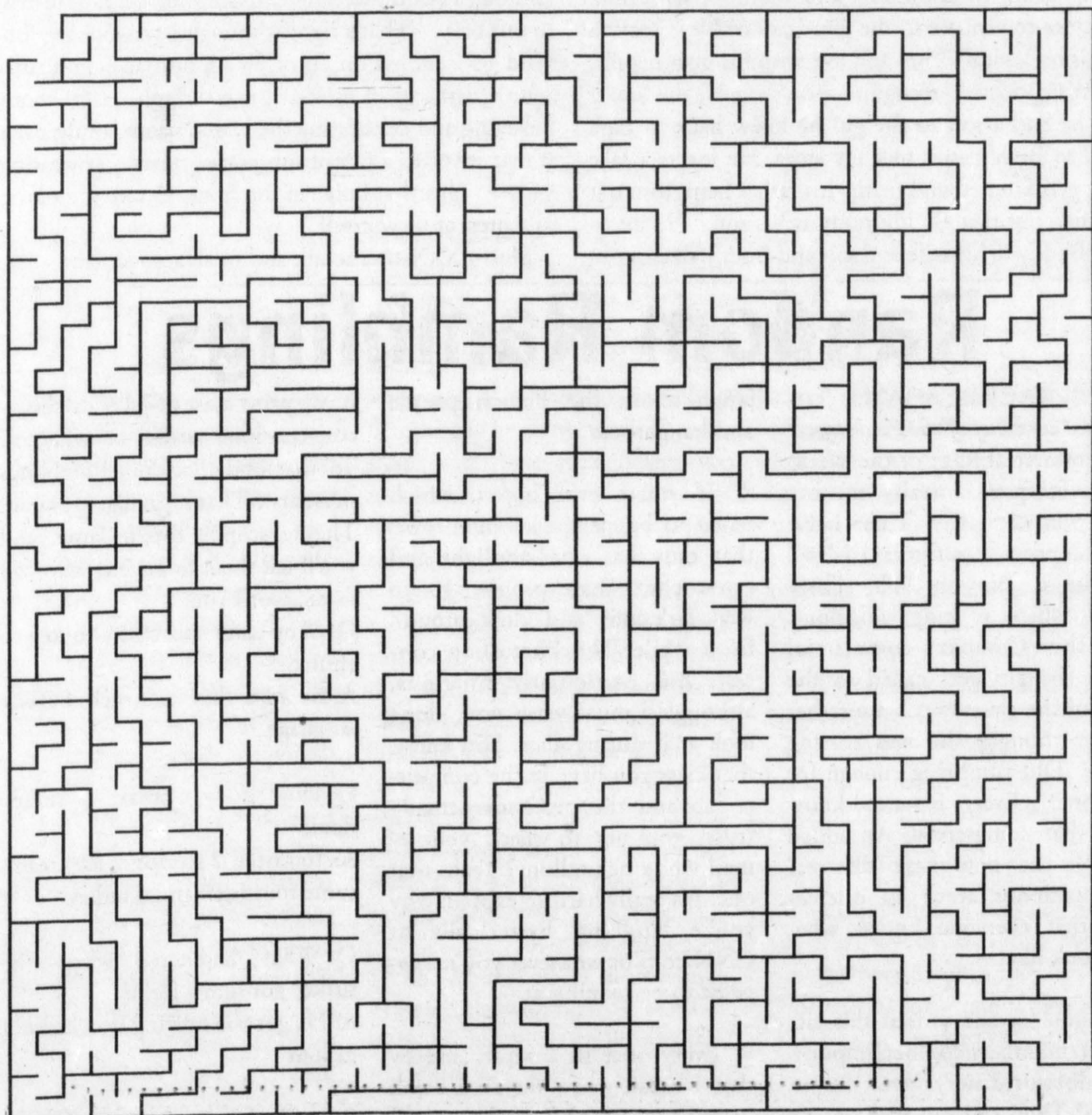
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Concert review: Alien Ant Farm, O.A.R. and 311

BY JENNIFER NELSON

&

MICHAEL PETERS

Associate Editor and Flashlight
Writer

The ants that marched into the Bryce Jordan Center on Nov. 14 were slightly different from Dave Matthews' Ants Marching. Alternative punk rock group Alien Ant Farm opened for O.A.R. and 311 for 311's Evolver Tour.

Each band is touring for their new albums of 2003. Alien Ant Farm, originating from Riverside, California, broke out onto the music scene in 2001 with their first album, ANThology. Dryden Mitchell (vocals), Terry Corso (guitar), Tye Zamora (bass) and Mike Cosgrove (drums) create music that is "timeless" and "connects to the fans."

Alien Ant Farm almost did not make it this far. In 2002, their tour bus crashed in Spain, seriously injuring all the group members. They managed to be strong and fully recover. In August, Alien Ant Farm released their follow-up album, truant. This record consists of modern rock, acoustic, Caribbean and Latin beats.

As AAF opened the show, the crowd was not in their favor, which I thought was disappointing. No matter who the band is, opening or headlining, you should show them respect by listening. AAF played several songs from both albums. Two of their hit songs, "Movies" and "Attitude" sounded better live than the CD version. Dryden Mitchell's voice was incredible - he sounded exactly like he was in the recording studio. The song "Attitude" was my favorite, not because I was familiar with it but

because AAF added some new music textures to it that made you actually feel the song. AAF had the right amount of energy to keep the crowd mellow yet ready to rock with their powerful beats. With little crowd enthusiasm, AAF put on a worthy performance. One thing that shocked me was that they did not play their modern rock chart-topping hit, "Smooth Criminal". I think AAF wanted the crowd to realize they have other songs, especially from their new album that could be their next big hit. AAF was a great way to get the ground running for the group O.A.R.

O.A.R., short for Of a Revolution, started making music as a grass roots band known for their "Indie" genre. O.A.R. had four albums (The Wanderer, Soul's Aflame, Risen and Any Time Now) prior to their new release, "In Between Now and Then". O.A.R.'s fan following culminated with their 2002 release of their live double-cd - "Any Time Now".

The band was formed in the late 1996 at Ohio State University by lead vocalist/guitarist Marc Roberge. He and best friend percussionist Chris Cujolos met saxophonist Jerry DePizzo. Benj Gershman (bass) and Richard On (guitar) finished the group creating the Indie sensation, Of A Revolution.

The summer of 2003 marked the first time in seven years that O.A.R. introduced themselves to the radio-friendly music scene with the release of "Hey Girl" (from the new album), one of the first songs they wrote. O.A.R. played for college towns around the U.S. and recently became part of big tours such as 311's Evolver Tour.

See "CONCERT" p.9

Movie Review: Elf

By JACOB HUFF

Special to The Flashlight

Are we as a society being bombarded with Elfish culture? I mean come on, Elves bake our cookies, Elves fight for the freedom of Middle Earth, and now Elves help Santa make and deliver toys. What ever happened to the elf sized porno films that many of us remember and love? We may never know, but the movie Elf starring Will Farrell was promising to me, and turned out to be different than my loins had anticipated.

Will Farrell plays an elf who is orphaned by his mother and accidentally climbs into Jolly St. Nick's bag 'o toys (but no, sadly no elfy sex toys). He grows up in a land of little people (reminds me of the movie *Gangbangers Travels* so far [a film loosely based off of the book *Gulliver's Travels*])

and finds out that, surprise surprise, he is not an elf. With all of his elf knowledge and wardrobe with him, he decides to venture to the great city of New York to find his biological father and live with his own people. His father doesn't recognize him because he never knew he had a son to the girl he knew back in high school so Buddy goes to a toy store. He meets a fake Santa, gets arrested and finally his father helps him out and finds out that Buddy really is his son. He introduces Buddy to his wife and son and Buddy fixes prob-

lems in the relationships around him. Buddy's father makes him upset and kicks him out, only to realize later that he is wrong and has to leave a meeting with his boss to find his son. But, if he leaves, he will get fired. Will Buddy's father come to his rescue? Will Buddy save Christmas by getting enough Christmas cheer from everyone? Will the elves all get together for a giant sized elfgy (like in the movie *Elf Know Who You Did Last Summer*)?

Go and check it out for yourself, unless of course I don't recommend it. Then don't go see it because you should listen to me because I'm a respectable movie review personality.

Definitely, without a doubt, this will be the seasonal film of the year. Will Farrell is a winner and once again plays the heck out of his character Buddy. There's love, comedy, action, comedy, love, and best of all

Christmas cheer the entire family can love together (although I don't recommend showing this film review to minors). That's right, although I was looking forward to some elf on elf or elf on human action; this wasn't that sort of movie. It was though, a film about believing and celebrating the seasons with family, even if that involves a 6-foot son you've never met wearing yellow tights that bulge in the front. Go see the movie as a present to yourself.

Merry XXX-mas to all, and to all a goodnight.



www.imdb.com

Will Farrell, best known for his work on Saturday Night Live, stars in the holiday film *Elf*.

Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ Commercial Rant of the Week:

Wow, Tampax is really making some winners lately. Their latest foray into commercial-land includes a spin on "The Three Bears" which is truly ridiculous, and the Compax commercial where the girl gets called to the front of the classroom because her teacher thought she was passing candy. "Did you bring enough for everyone?" Every female I know hates that commercial. An added bonus is that now these "discreet" little tampons aren't so discreet now that everyone knows what they look like!

★ If you haven't visited this site (<http://members.cox.net/impunity/endofworld.swf>) yet, do it. NOW! Then call me and we can

laugh about the French people and kangaroos.

★ If you're ever bored, which tends to happen a lot in a town that only has one stoplight and more cows than people, go to www.fark.com and click around for a while. The Photoshop contests are particularly hilarious, although I must warn you...don't look at it during class. You know, that class you have in the computer lab and the professor actually trusts you not to check your e-mail while he's talking? Yeah, that one. It's really hard to explain why you're laughing hysterically at CNN.com or whatever you're supposed to be looking at.

★ Every once in a while, and by that I mean when there's a blank space and we don't know how to fill

it, we print a list of jokes or cheesy conversation starters or whatnot. To that end, Random Ramblings presents...Thanksgiving jokes! They're stupid, they're lame, and you'll tell them to anyone who will listen, won't you?

Q: Why can't you take a turkey to church?

A: Because they use such FOWL language

Q: How do you make a turkey float?

A: You need 2 scoops of ice cream, some root beer, and a turkey

Q: What happened when the turkey got into a fight?

A: He got the stuffing knocked out of him

Enjoy Turkey Day, everyone!



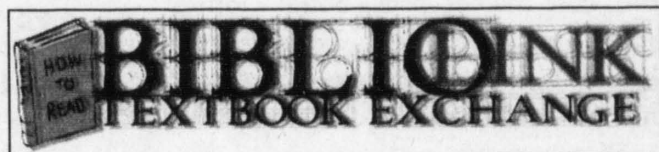
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New site gives students a textbook alternative

By SARAH WEISS
Special to The Flashlight

Matthew Kesack, a sophomore Computer Science major, decided to take a simple class assignment and turn it into a campus-wide book exchange service. Bibliolink was developed in hopes of allowing students to save money when buying and selling their textbooks. This service will provide students with alternatives to using national book exchange services or selling their books back to the Campus Bookstore.

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"Although it may take awhile for the database to grow, I hope that students will take advantage of this service," Kesack said. "If Bibliolink is successful, I may expand the service to other schools and work on developing other online projects."

Theatre review: *Comedy of Errors*

By NOAL BASTIAN
Flashlight Writer

The Comedy of Errors, by William Shakespeare is a classic comic caper filled with hilarious laughs, heart warming speeches, and love at first...and second sight. The Mansfield University theater department pulled it off beautifully.

This is a story about mixed up love. It centers around six main characters, four of which may very well be the same person. The main story line is about two sets of identical twins separated at birth, and how they just might come to find each other after many years of being apart. The real humour ensues when the friends (or wives!) of the twins get the two mixed up.

The costumes were very detailed and made the show interesting to watch. Swords, capes, flowing dresses and hats all increased the authenticity of the production and made the viewing experience that much more enjoyable. The set was elaborate with different locations all on one stage. The actors took

full advantage of all these places, never leaving one to ask, "What is behind that door?"

The technical aspect of the show was simple, yet got the job done. There weren't many lighting changes or special effects. None were needed. All the special effects or changes in scene were done on stage, and done well. There was music in the beginning and the end which brought about the transitions in the show.

The actors were the highlight of the production with facial expressions and attitudes that really set the tone and mood of scenes. It takes great skill to act in a Shakespearean show; we should all be proud of our fellow peers for pulling off such a great performance. I would also like to compliment the co-stars of the show, the people who weren't named (i.e. people like Townsperson #5 or Second Merchant). A show wouldn't be a show without their constant support and diligence in making a scene feel real. Also, I compliment

the backs of the townsfolk, because whenever the Duke entered they had to bow for however long he was on stage, and he had some long scenes!

Any complaints about the show are few and far between. The hats the actors were wearing would sometimes cast a shadow which covered their faces. During a few speeches the actors stepped out of the light which made it difficult to see them. Also, I noticed that backs were turned to the audience a few times. Though this may add to the realism of the show, the actor's lines were lost.

Not only can our Mansfield University actors act, but they can dance too! There was a dance number at the end of the show which brought the show to an unexpected close, yet flowed well with the curtain call.

The *Comedy of Errors* was a fun performance of slapstick laughs and heartwarming happenings. As Dromio said at the end of the show, "and now let's go hand in hand, not one before another."

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When Marc Roberge walked on stage after AAF, you knew it was going to be a great show. The fans screamed with excitement, gearing up for a set of five different sounds since each member has a totally different style from one another. They opened with "Anyway" and the crowd danced and sang along with Roberge. Their set list had a good variety from each of the four albums. When they played their radio hit "Hey Girl" I knew the fans would be having a lot of fun. O.A.R. gets into their music when they perform live, adding new beats and melodies. "Delicate Few" brought the crowd together, singing in unison and waving their lighters in the air. Roberge includes ideas of "freedom, wanderlust, idealism and love" in O.A.R.'s music, which is something all music fans can relate to.

The time finally came that everybody was waiting for. It was time to play a few rounds of poker. Their cult classic, "That Was a Crazy Game of Poker" drew the crowd into a frenzy. O.A.R. has the most fun with this song - Roberge and Cujolos collaborate during live shows to make this song one to remember. The crowd was dancing and enjoying themselves, even the fans in the upper section danced on their seats. Between AAF and O.A.R.'s performances the crowd was ready for the upbeat tempo and diverse sounds of another grassroots' group, 311.

311 is a five-piece band out of Omaha Nebraska. Nick Hexum, SA Martinez, Tim Mahoney, P-Nut and Chad Sexton make up a band in which one particular genre cannot contain. 311 mixes punk, funk, alternative, reggae, metal and rap together to construct one continuous flow of sound.

This was the second time that I have seen 311 in concert, and the first time that I have seen them from the seats. There is only one

word I can use to describe their stage presence. Amazing.

The Omaha quintet captured the crowd with their opening song, standard from their first release, Music, "Freak Out." When the audience heard "Let the games begin," they went nuts.

311 played songs from every studio album. They played their hits like "Down," "All Mixed Up," "Amber," and "Flowing" for the typical kids, then dove into the lesser known songs where only the true fan will rejoice in the splendor that is 311.

For 90 minutes, 311 mesmerized a jam packed Bryce Jordan Center. Mahoney, the guitarist, lit the arena with incredible riff after riff. Nick and SA were right on cue with lyrics. P-Nut took control of the show at the end of the night when they played "Feels So Good," a song which features one of the best bass solos I have ever heard. However, the night belonged to the musical styling of the "rhythmic genius" Chad Sexton.

Midway through their set, Hexum said "Nod your head to this," which to any true 311 fan means one thing and one thing only: the most incredible drum solo known to man. It's called the "Tribal drum solo." During the solo, Sexton, the drummer was joined by the other four members for a three minute solo. Sexton's band mates stood in front of him as they pounded synchronized melodic beats into toms and cymbals. One by one, each member dropped out of the pack and picked up their instrument leaving Sexton alone for the finale. The Bryce Jordan Center nearly exploded at the conclusion of the song.

311 was 311. They were simply amazing. Everyone is encouraged to go to see them in concert. If you have the opportunity, take it. You will regret missing 311, for they are second to none.

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Politics and Opinion: *Voting changes everything*

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

The bomb has just recently been dropped here at Mansfield, as the "Budget Adjustment Plan" for the next fiscal year was released to the general public last week. If you haven't read the report, you should make effort to do so, for the university is making cuts all across the board. Of utmost importance to us students, are the programs that are being put in moratorium including the computer data analysis, sports nutrition, studio art, and all foreign language programs. A few programs (fisheries and anthropology) have been given a reprieve, in that they have three years to work to increase the number of majors and graduates in their respective programs.

The point that needs to be under-

scored here is that academic programs are not the only groups to be cut. Administrative positions in recruitment, admissions and other areas are also being cut back due to the financial crunch the entire nation is currently dealing with.

What does all this mean? It means that Mansfield University is now faced with the challenge of doing the same job, with fewer resources.

I've heard a lot of people complaining and whining about how unfair all these budgetary cuts are. Allow me to respond by saying, if you do not vote, then shut the heck up! Believe it or not, the fiscal policy of local, state, and national governments plays a big role in our livelihood. If bad decisions are being made then we have to hold our elected leadership accountable.

President Bush enacted tax cuts, while sending American troops to war on two different fronts. Do you think it is a coincidence that our economy is in the crapper? Ever hear the old adage, "bad decisions trickle downhill"? Basic logic tells you that if you are spending more money than you are taking in, you should not offer tax cuts or increase your spending for a very costly war. Maybe you could get away with doing one or the other, but not both at the same time.

Does this mean that those who are losing their jobs or programs do not have a right to be angry? Of course they do. My point is that we need to use our right to vote to influence the decisions that are made at higher levels of government. Maybe if our president had been more fiscally responsible, our

university leaders would not have to make these difficult decisions.

Here is one final thought. Mansfield University prides itself on being a "small university with big opportunities." In my three and a half years here, I have seen some really good programs (albeit smaller ones) being cast into the trash bin because they are unable to graduate or attract students. Maybe if this university would stop putting all its money and advertising into the established programs such as music, education, and others, then those of us in smaller departments would not see our interests thrown away at the expense of the larger money-making ones.

I am not saying that we should neglect these larger programs; I am simply saying that it is time that the university lives up to what it has

promised us students, and work harder to promote the smaller programs here. I am tired of walking around campus and hearing music majors, education majors and others complaining that they are getting screwed. We are all getting screwed, some more than others. In the end, the most important thing is that we receive a good quality education, and I believe that, although cuts across the board are being and have been made, I have received a good quality education.

So get out and vote, and lobby your elected representatives to wise up and make better decisions so that in the future, Mansfield University will not have to make these difficult decisions in order to stay afloat.

Letter to the Editor: *Exercise your freedom of choice*

An open letter to MU students:

Up until Tuesday, November 4th, Mansfield's homepage had links both to the State System's negotiations web page and to APSCUF's (Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties) negotiations web page.

On November 4th all 14 State System university presidents received instruction from Chancellor Hample's office to remove

APSCUF's link.

I would ask you to consider why the Chancellor's office does not want you to have access to APSCUF's web page. Is the restriction of access to information the best approach for a "state owned" university system to model?

As you all know, the Chancellor had sent you email exposing you to the system's perspective on negotiations. APSCUF does not

have the same ease of getting your email address as does the Chancellor's office. Also, APSCUF does not want to intrude on your privacy for the apparent self-serving purpose of putting forth its perspective. APSCUF was hoping that if you wanted to know about both side's perspective you could freely access that information from Mansfield's home page. The chancellor's office has tried to take that choice away

from you.

If you wish to exercise freedom of choice, please go to :

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Sincerely,

Ron Straub

President, Mansfield University APSCUF

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Hot Topic of the Week: A-Rod edges 'Del-got it'

Alex - 242 and Carlos - 210

By JENNIFER NELSON
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Well, the Toronto Blue Jays can't have the American League Cy Young winner (Roy Halladay) and the AL MVP.

Carlos Delgado did not earn enough first place votes to capture the Most Valuable Player Award. However, he did gain the right's to a new nick-name: 'Carlos Del-got-it'.

The Baseball Writers' Association of America gave Alex Rodriguez of the Texas Rangers the first place votes for 242 points. Toronto's Delgado was close to A-Rod with 210 total points. The New York Yankees' Jorge Posada was third in MVP voting with 194. Other players included in the poll: Shannon Stewart, David Ortiz, Manny Ramirez, Nomar Garciaparra, Vernon Wells, Miguel Tejada and Jason Giambi.

Being a Blue Jays fan, you would think I would be biased about my opinion with these decisions. Bias is not the case - talent and quality in numbers is the case. Let's compare: Rodriguez hit .298; Delgado hit .302. Rodriguez had 47 homeruns; Delgado had 42. Rodriguez had 118 RBIs and Delgado had 145. Each players' slugging percentages were close. I honestly think 'Del-got-it' had it (AL MVP). Delgado really should have been named MVP; he proved himself to his team, the fans and the league.

Tom Candiotti made an interesting statement on ESPN.com: "...It's an overdue honor because I thought he [Rodriguez] deserved it last year. In fact, I see Rodriguez as the cumulative MVP over the past ten years." Obviously, I disagree with that statement. If A-Rod was that good, wouldn't he have already received the MVP award? Yes. Oh well. I'll keep pressing for Delgado - in my eyes he is the true AL MVP.



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Texas Rangers' shortstop Alex Rodriguez was named as the AL's 2003 MVP.

A-Rod MVP... Not quite but....

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

Alex Rodriguez's name has been brought up ever since major league baseball entered pre-season mode. Just recently his name has been brought up yet again. This time dealing with nothing about trade rumors.

Major League Baseball announced Monday that Rodriguez was named American League MVP, which left a lot of people including myself wondering why? First, lets digest what MVP stands for. Most Valuable Player. Ok, so most valuable player on one's team. Surely all the candidates filled that area.

Who exactly are the candidates. Well this years race came down to Rodriguez, Toronto's Carlos Delgado, New York's Jorge Posada, Minnesota's Shannon Stewart and finally Boston's David Ortiz. Now that we know the players, out of these five individuals which deserves the award? Surely they all have the statistics, but when it comes to being valuable who is 'most valuable to their team.'

Let's start with Rodriguez if you take him away from the Rangers do they still finish in last place. Yes they do! Moving on to Toronto, if Delgado was not on the team would the Blue Jays finish above .500? Quite frankly I think not. What about Posada? You can make a case for him but if he's not on the Yankees do they make the play-offs? Here you can argue yes or no because the Yankees have so many stand up guys but certainly Jorge is no MVP.

What about Stewart? A mid season trade to the American League Central Division Champion Twins. Do the Twins make the playoff run without him? Lets just say he was a huge aspect in helping the Twinkies! Finally, David Ortiz, putting up career numbers for the Boston Redsox in their pursuit of the American League East crown. Without Ortiz there is a good chance the Redsox are not in the playoffs.

So with all this brings up one question. Does Alex Rodriguez deserve the MVP? His numbers last season were better than this season and his team found themselves in last place yet again. In the end we could just say that the voting for MVP and what MVP is needs to be restructured but for now congrats, A-Rod!

This Week in Sports: Return to Innocence

By JAMES SHAPPELL
Flashlight Sports Writer

There are some things that just come naturally for people. Usually, for me, it's writing.

This week, I've debated and struggled with how to go about writing this feature. Even as I'm writing this, I'm not sure exactly where it's going, so I'm just going to say what I want to say...bare with me.

A lot has been made in the last half year with what has happened with Kobe Bryant, one of the most natural basketball players to ever step on the court, and the man I thought would be the heir (or air) to Michael Jordan. He's been accused of a felony sexual assault that supposedly took place in Colorado when Bryant was there in June to have knee surgery.

Bryant has admitted to having sexual relations with the 19-year-old girl that evening at the hotel,

however, he denies they were forced. I believe the general public believes what Bryant says, and his accuser has not come forward to the press, so it is impossible to fully understand her story. So little has been mentioned of her accounts of the case that we are left to hear Kobe's side.

I believe in Bryant's innocence, and it pains me to see the torture he's been forced to go through. Obviously, all of the following thoughts are based on the belief that Bryant is innocent of the charges, and since we still follow the innocent until proven guilty motto in this country, that's a fair assumption to assess.

In a recent article in ESPN the Magazine, Bryant's story of isolationism to the world was told. Imagine if you were in his situation, in the national spotlight and being accused of a major crime. You've alienated your wife

(although buying a \$4 Million ring is a good start toward reconciliation), the fans whom once idolized you now boo you, the press takes every possible opportunity to try to interview you or your wife and you receive criticism from another star on your team (Shaquille O'Neal) constantly. Life is not good.

Bryant expressed that when he's on the court, he's able to focus solely on the game. This is something that is only seen by the true "naturals." As easily as Jordan could do amazing things with the flu, Kobe can battle off the court demons just as easily and lead the Lakers in scoring.

Another escape for him is riding his motorcycle. Along with his new tattoos, some people believe this is helping to tarnish the image of Kobe Bean Bryant. I believe it's his release. Some people read a book, some people go for a run and Kobe Bryant goes for a motor-

cycle ride.

Listen people I know I've gotten off track, but what I'm really trying to say is that Kobe Bryant is still the same man we all fell in love with when he broke into the league as an amazing 18-year-old rookie. Some may say LeBron James is the savior of the NBA, but I say he's already there, and it's Kobe Bryant. His talent has been compared to Jordan's by Phil Jackson, the man that coached them both. Both have experienced off the field issues, and the sooner Bryant can put this catastrophe behind him, the better.

Frankly, the case the prosecution will present against Bryant is weak. As reported in ESPN the Magazine's November 24, 2003 edition, "When Judge Frederick Gannett unenthusiastically bound over Bryant's sexual assault case for trial on Oct. 20, he noted for the record that the prosecution had a

weak case."

As far as the issues on the court go, Bryant and his teammates have been supportive of one another since the season started, despite preseason jawing between O'Neal and Bryant, something not uncommon for this team. As a matter of fact, Bryant probably would not be playing this season if not for his wife convincing him to do so.

So, it seems as though the judge believes this nightmare will soon begin to fade for Bryant, Bryant's wife, Vanessa, seems to have jumped on that bandwagon, as have his coach and teammates and Bryant almost seems to believe things will soon get better, too.

He is quoted in the Nov. 17, 2003 edition of USA Today as saying, "I came in expecting the worst. But once you've expected the worst, the rest is easy." Sounds like something a natural would say and naturally, I agree.

On the Sidelines: Alison Tagliaferri

By MICHAEL PETERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's basketball team started their season Nov. 6 in Orlando at the Walt Disney Division II Tip-Off Tournament.

While in Florida, the Mounties played three games, all in losing efforts. They did not walk away with their heads hung low. They played three teams that they may never see again: University of South Dakota, University of Central Arkansas and the nationally ranked and eventual tournament champions Drury University.

The Mountaineers could leave Orlando knowing that their star is back. Returning off an ankle injury, junior center Alison Tagliaferri made her first appearance since Dec. 6 at Lock Haven University. Tagliaferri led all Mansfield scorers in each game in the tournament earning a spot on the All-Tournament team.

Tagliaferri is an important ingredient to the eventual success of the Mounties. She led the team in scoring with 14.6 points and rebounding with seven a game in her freshman season. She was a first team All-PSAC East selection. Before her

injury six games into the season last year, Tagliaferri scored 18.3 points and 7.3 rebounds per game, improving from her PSAC East and ECAC South Rookie of the Year campaign in the 2001-02 season.

The Mountaineers are looking at being the first women's basketball team in school history to earn a berth in the PSAC playoffs. With Alison Tagliaferri, anything can happen.

The women's basketball program is not the only athletic program that will welcome back Tagliaferri this year. The Mansfield University softball team will extend their arms to their returning first basemen, and pitcher come springtime.

As a freshman, Tagliaferri was an All-PSAC East selection. She hit for a .319 batting average, with eight doubles, a homerun and 14 runs batted in. She was a force from the mound as well, striking out 37 batters in 35.1 innings pitched.

With her modesty and dedication towards success as a team, Tagliaferri is an asset to any team or organization that is lucky enough to have her.

Michael Peters: What is your year and major?

AT: I am a junior, accounting and

marketing major.

MP: What made you choose that major?

AT: I liked business classes in high school and became very interested.

MP: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

AT: It is pretty close to my family, and I wanted to help be a part of turning the basketball and softball programs around.

MP: Which sports do you participate in at the university?

AT: I play softball and basketball.

MP: Did you ever play any other sports?

AT: No, I only played softball and basketball. I always wanted to play volleyball but my high school did not have it as a program.

MP: What is your favorite sport to watch?

AT: I do not think I could pick. I love watching baseball and basketball. I also love to watch the X games. I want to learn how to skateboard.

MP: What is your favorite sport to play?

AT: Again, I really cannot choose one. It depends on the season. I love softball and basketball equally.

MP: When did you start to play basketball?

AT: When I was about seven.

MP: What position do you play in basketball?

AT: I am the Center.

MP: Why do you play basketball?

AT: I love the excitement of the game. It is so intense.

MP: Have you won any awards for basketball?

AT: Yeah I guess. However, nothing that would beat making playoffs this year.

MP: What is your favorite part of being on the basketball team?

AT: We are huge. No one messes with us! Honestly, we are always there for one another. We always watch each other's back.

MP: What keeps you going strong?

AT: Never being satisfied.

MP: Midway through the 2002-03 season, you received a medical red shirt. What injury did you sustain?

AT: I do not really know the technical term, but I messed my ankle up pretty bad.

MP: Do you feel that you are at the top of your game again and ready to perform up to the level of your



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Mansfield's Tagliaferri returns to the hardwood for the upcoming basketball season and will join the softball team on the diamond during the spring.

freshman season?

AT: I really do not feel that I am there yet. I still have a lot of work to do, but I am going to try hard to get it back.

MP: How is the basketball team going to do this season?

AT: Well, we definitely have the talent to go far. We just need to all realize that and come together and play the way we know how to play.

MP: How long have you played softball?

AT: I have been playing softball since I was about seven.

MP: What position do you play in softball?

AT: I play pitcher, first base, and right field. I will play just about anywhere that I am needed. I do not do catching though.

MP: What is your favorite aspect of softball?

AT: I love that as a pitcher you control the pace of the game. I love having that kind of control.

MP: Have you won any awards while playing softball?

AT: Once again, no award would beat making playoffs this year.

MP: Which is harder to play, baseball, or softball?

AT: Well there is not a rise ball in baseball, but I am sure both can be argued. However, I am not looking to cause a riot.

MP: What is your most memorable moment on the softball field?

AT: Probably throwing a 17-inning game to win Districts in high school. I am looking to change it to

making PSAC Playoffs this spring.

MP: If you had to choose one sport to play and one sport only, would it be basketball or softball?

AT: I am sorry but I cannot answer that question. I will have teammates on my case either way.

MP: Is there anything you do before an event, like a routine or superstition?

AT: I have to be taped because if I do not, I will fall apart. I guess I just try to listen to some rap music to get me pumped up before each game.

MP: After a tough game, what do you do in order to relax and calm your nerves?

AT: I do not relax. That is one of my flaws.

MP: What one thing you learned from being involved with collegiate sports that you will carry on with you in your future?

AT: The only way to succeed is through hard work.

MP: Where do you see yourself in ten years?

AT: In ten years, I will be an accountant in New York City. I will be living with my chocolate lab, Brady, and being the proud owner of Yankees season tickets.

MP: Is there a motto or saying that you live by?

AT: I could never pick just one.

MP: Is there any advice you can offer to other dual sport athletes at Mansfield University?

AT: Do not expect to have a break...ever.

Picks of the Week

Week 12

	Chad Landers	Jennifer Nelson	Gregory Pellegrino	Mike Peters	Sarah Stoermer
Lions @ Vikings	(75-53)	(71-57)	(58-70)	(74-54)	(73-55)
Jaguars @ Jets	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Saints @ Eagles	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets
Seattle @ Ravens	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles
Patriots @ Texans	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Ravens
Colts @ Bills	Patriots	Texans	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots
Steelers @ Browns	Colts	Bills	Colts	Colts	Bills
Panthers @ Cowboys	Browns	Steelers	Browns	Steelers	Steelers
49ers @ Packers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers
Bears @ Broncos	Packers	49ers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Rams @ Cardinals	Broncos	Bears	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos
Bengals @ Chargers	Rams	Rams	Rams	Rams	Rams
Raiders @ Chiefs	Bengals	Chargers	Bengals	Bengals	Bengals
Titans @ Falcons	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs
Redskins @ Dolphins	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans
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Long broke the NCAA Division II single season saves record this past season with 341 saves in goal

Mounties Heather Long named NCAA Division II STX/NFHCA All-American

Senior record breaking goalie Heather Long has been named to Second Team STX/NFHCA Division II All-American honors. The All-American team was released yesterday by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association.

Long, who was earlier named to All-PSAC honors, broke the NCAA Division II record for saves in a season with 341 this year. She also set the NCAA Division II record for career saves with 860.

"What a great honor for a truly deserving athlete," head coach Diane Monkiewicz said. "Heather has been an outstanding goalie for us for the past four years and has always been considered one of the top players in the country. I am so happy for her that in a year she shattered national records she gets the recognition she deserves."

A PSAC Scholar-Athlete, Long becomes the first Mansfield goalie to earn All-American honors.

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Mansfield swimming comes up big against the Monarchs of King's College

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

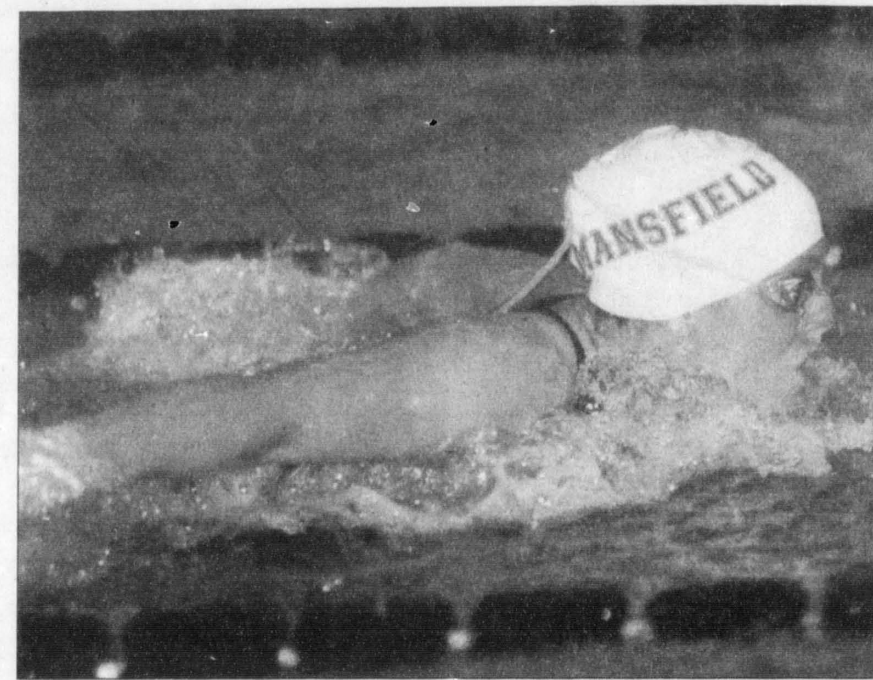
With two experienced seniors and much improved young talent on this year's Mountaineer swim team, the enthusiasm and excitement is high for head coach Danita Fox in 2003.

The Mounties won their first dual swim meet of the season on Nov. 15 defeated Kings College at Decker Gymnasium. This win over Kings is almost identical to last year's result when the Mounties won 125-98.

After tough losses to Bloomsburg University and Lock Haven University the last two weeks, the Mounties used a strong performance from freshman Daniella Borrelli to swim past Kings College.

Borreilli won the 50-yard freestyle in 26.56 and also placed first in the 100-yard butterfly in 1:05.11. Borrelli is one of five freshmen on the team, combined with six sophomores, means that the Mounties have a lot of young talent and a bright future in the PSAC.

Sophomore two-sport sensation Charity Learn finished first in the 500-yard freestyle in



SPORTS INFORMATION

Daniella Borrelli finished first in the 50-yard freestyle event (26.56) and also finished first in the 100-yard butterfly event (1:05.11)

6:22.04 for the Mounties. Learn also captured a second place finish for the Mounties in the 1000-yard freestyle with a time of 12:33.53. Finishing ahead of her was Mountie freshman Eileen Spellman with a time of 12:12.03.

Senior Katie Houck added another first place finish for the Mountaineers in the 200-yard freestyle in 2:12.58. Another prom-

ising swimmer for the Mounties, sophomore Andrea Popovic, finished first in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:31.50. Houck and Popovic both qualified for the PSAC's last year for the Mounties.

The Mounties will swim next on Nov. 21-23 at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania Invitational.

1910 Mansfield football to be displayed at Decker Gymnasium



President Halstead and Scott Bixby exchange footballs at this past week's football game against the Golden Rams of West Chester.

Bixby presented a football signed by the 1910 Mansfield Football team to Halstead in exchange for a football signed by the 2003 Mountaineers.

The 1910 football has the signature of the players along with the games Mansfield played, the opponents and scores of the game.

The football will be displayed at Decker Gymnasium.

Men's basketball tips-off in annual Comfort Inn Tourney

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

It is time to tip-off the 2003-2004 basketball season.

In just a matter of days the Mansfield University men's basketball team will host the annual Comfort Inn Tip-Off Tournament.

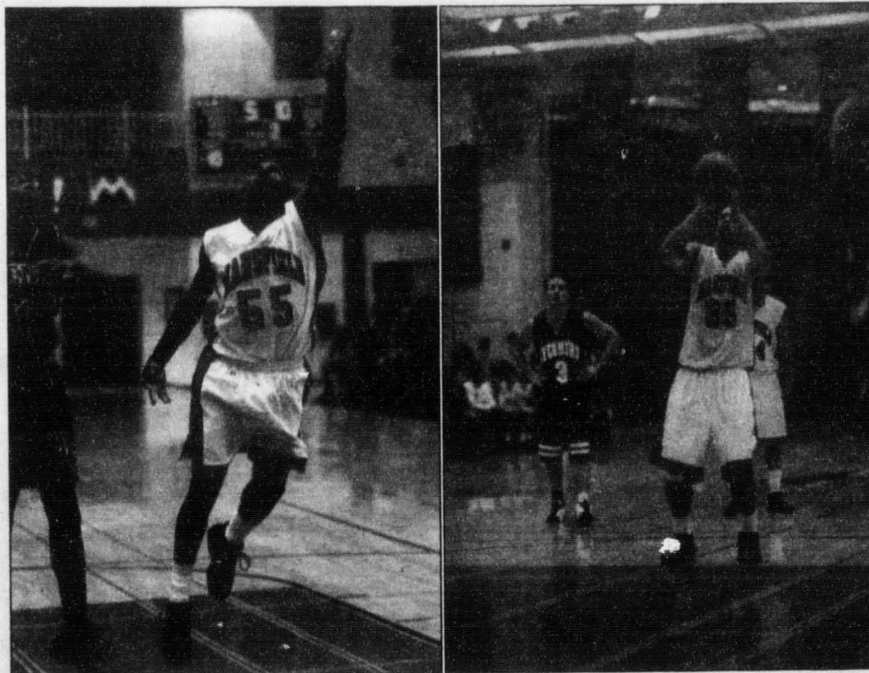
This years tournament features four teams, Bloomfield College, Holy Family University, Lock Haven University, and the host team Mansfield University.

The tournament is set to start at 5:30 p.m. on Nov. 21. The first game features Lock Haven University and Bloomfield College. Last season, the Bald Eagles finished fourth in the western division with a 6-6 record in the PSAC.

The night cap features two teams that are very familiar with each other as Mansfield takes on Holy Family.

Last year, the Mounties and Holy Family went down to the wire. In the first half of last years game, Holy Family had a 39-28 halftime lead. However, Mansfield the Tigers 68-66. Sophomore Bill McNeal scored a game high 27 points in the match-up.

"We know Holy Family is going to slow the ball down and try to control the game," Coach Vince



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Seniors Jason Roscoe (55) and Glenn Jackson (35) will give the Mounties experience and leadership on the floor this coming season.

Alexander said about Holy Family. "They are usually a big team and they shoot the ball very well. We want to counter act that in our game plan and come out and press and to change the tempo and control the tempo with our fast break and I think we're big enough inside this year to handle them."

Day two will feature Lock Haven taking on Holy Family as Mansfield takes on Bloomfield College; a team the Mounties are not as familiar with.

"Its hard to prepare for them right now because we don't have much information on them,"

Alexander said. "We know last year they were a lot like us that they're an up tempo team and like to get out and run and play pressure defense. That will be a good battle and we'll just have to see what they have inside."

Last year, Mansfield defeated both of their opponents in the Comfort Inn Tournament, defeating Longwood 82-67 and NJIT Highlanders 84-77.

At press time, the Mounties were traveling to Roberts Wesleyan College. Last season, Mansfield defeated Roberts Wesleyan, 74-67 at Decker Gymnasium.



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There is a lot of preparation that goes on prior to Mansfield sporting events. Before a football game, several things need to be done before the game for everything to run smoothly.

Behind the scenes at Mansfield University sporting events

By JEANNETTE ESTEVES

Flashlight Sports Writer

Dealing with sports behind the scenes is a bigger job then most would expect according to Public Relations and Publications Director Steve McCloskey.

As a PR specialist for athletics McCloskey deals with a variety of specifications when dealing with Mountie sports. Promotion, maintaining and compiling statistics for each sport, as well as prepare media contacts and coverage are only a few to list.

"Our biggest sport to prepare for is football," Director Steve McCloskey said. "For every home game we have to prepare a program that is always about 48 pages thick," McCloskey said.

With football being the biggest sport on our campus there are a lot more steps that have to be taken in order for everything to run smoothly during each game.

According to McCloskey, when dealing with just media, one has to prepare pre-game releases, statistics, and notes, arrange food for the media, issue media credentials and sideline passes, as well as making sure there is a PA announcer.

Cumulative historical notes have to be monitored according to what has happened in the past and when was the last time it happened. "When dealing with events and story writing we try to direct the focus of the story toward a positive element of our programs,"

McCloskey said.

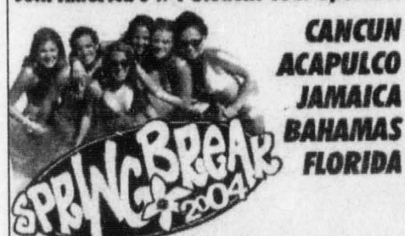
In order to prepare for football, most of the work begins in the beginning of the week and is usually finished by mid-week. On a typical football preparation week, Monday is usually when stories are written for the game programs, and then they are sent to the layout manager on Tuesday, which is then sent to the print shop.

"We make sure there is always someone taking photos of the team," McCloskey said. "It's a safety precaution for when a newspaper cannot send a photographer, we just send them ours." This is also very important when creating a media guide for each of the sports, McCloskey has to be sure that there is a different student athlete featured on the cover.

At the end of each home game, its mainly taking care of post game interviews with the coaches and players, but other duties have to be attended to such as compiling post game stats as well as posting them on the website, and sending hometown press releases.

Preparing for home games is not all that McCloskey does. For senior day, he makes sure that mothers of graduating athletes receive corsages and action pictures that are framed of their star player. Gathering things to be autographed by each of the players, whether it is footballs, basketballs, posters and pictures to create memorabilia to be raffled off or given away as gifts.

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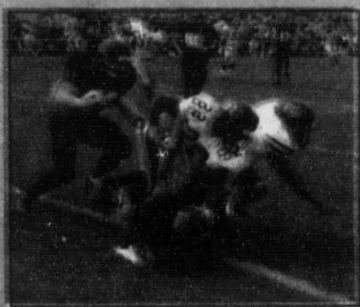
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MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ MANSFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA ❖ WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2003

Mounties drop finale, 55-27

By JONATHAN SCHWAB

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University football team ended their season with a 55-27 loss at the hands of the West Chester Golden Rams on Nov. 15 at Karl Van Norman Field.

The Mounties dropped to 8-3 overall and 3-3 in the PSAC East. The game marked the final for seven Mountaineer seniors, including quarterback Travis Motley and linebacker Dan Holland.

Motley completed his career by breaking two more career records and another single season record. He broke Bill Bair's career completions mark, as he finished with 618 completions. He also passed Bair's career yardage record, completing his career with 7,547 passing yards. Motley threw his 22nd touchdown pass of the season, setting a new single season record.

Holland ended his career by recording nine tackles, closing out his four years at Mansfield with a total of 501 tackles. Holland finished the season with 132 tackles, marking his fourth consecutive season with at least 100 tackles.

There were strong feelings for all

"It was very emotional for all the seniors. We knew it would be the last time we did everything, even the little things, like putting on our shoulder pads and our cleats."

-Nick DeSantis

the seniors, according to senior offensive guard Nick DeSantis.

"It was very emotional for all the seniors," DeSantis said. "We knew it would be the last time we did everything, even the little things, like putting on our shoulder pads and our cleats."

Once they did get out onto the field, very little went right for the Mountaineers.

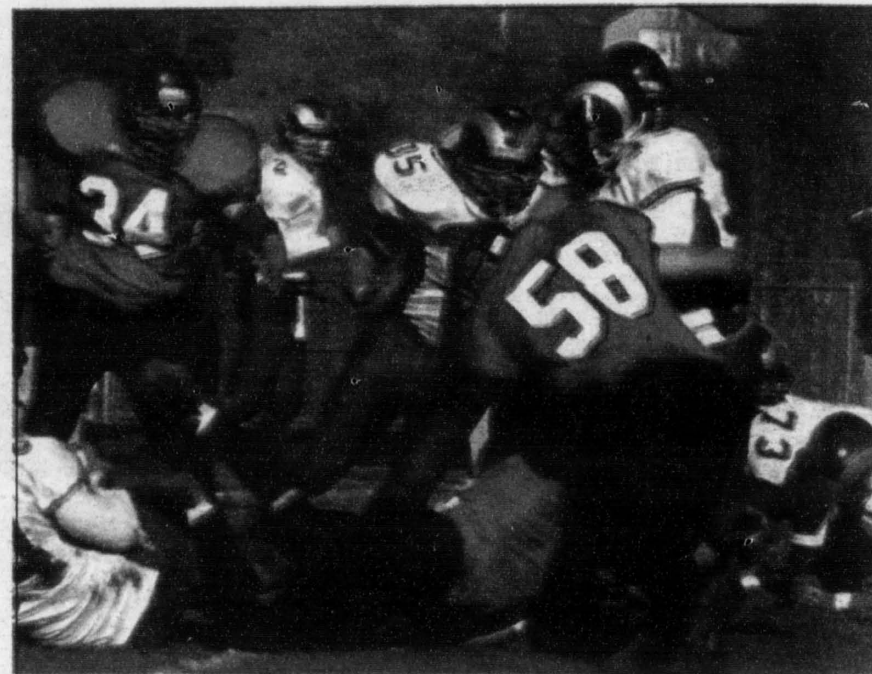
The Mountaineers took the opening kickoff, and were forced to punt after three plays went nowhere. West Chester drove down the field on their opening possession and scored on a seven-yard pass from quarterback Bob Findora to wide receiver Cory DeForrest. Findora threw for 265 yards and three touchdowns in the game.

After Mansfield was unsuccessful on their next possession, the Rams doubled their lead. Running back Josh Fidler carried the ball in for a one-yard touchdown to make the score 14-0. Motley was intercepted by Chad Weaver on the first play of Mansfield's next series and Weaver returned the ball to the Mounties 20-yard line. Four plays later, Fidler was in the end zone again, this time on a six-yard run to make the score 21-0.

The Mountaineers responded with their first score early in the second quarter. Earnest McNeal gave the Mounties great field position with a 60-yard kickoff return. The Mounties capitalized when Motley threw to Joe Bennett for a 24-yard touchdown to cut the West Chester advantage to 21-7.

The Golden Rams answered back with a kickoff return of their own. Brandon Simmons took Chris Nigro's kick back 91 yards before Ronnie Montgomery and James Painter combined on a touchdown saving tackle. West Chester scored anyway, when Findora hit Luther Bowen with a ten yard touchdown pass to make the score 28-7.

Mansfield came right back, but not before suffering a loss. McNeal injured his ankle on the first play of the next drive, and did not return. McNeal's injury did not slow down the Mountaineers offense on the drive, as backup running back Paul Garofalo scored a



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Dan Holland (58) and Keith Slezak (34) merge on a tackle during the Mounties season finale against the Golden Rams of West Chester on Nov. 15 at Van Norman Field.

touchdown on a four-yard run to cut the West Chester lead to 28-13. Garofalo rushed for 88 yards on 23 carries and two touchdowns.

The Golden Rams closed out the first half scoring with a seven-play, 94-yard drive that ended with Mike Eckmeyer finding the end zone from one yard away. Eckmeyer ran for a game-high 177 yards on 27 carries. West Chester threatened again late in the quarter, but Dan Wilbourne missed a 27-yard field goal.

The second half began in Mansfield's favor as West Chester was unable to pick up a first down and they punted. Mansfield's offense took the ball down the field, with Garofalo scoring on a two-yard touchdown run to trim the deficit down to fourteen at 35-21.

That would be as close as the Mounties would get. West Chester responded with 20 consecutive points, spread out over the third and fourth quarters. Findora threw a seven-yard touchdown pass to George Caroulis to increase the

lead to 42-21. The lead expanded further when Eckmeyer scored on a four-yard touchdown run to make the score 48-21 late in the third quarter.

The Golden Rams opened the scoring in the fourth quarter when Osagie Osunde ran three yards to score West Chester's fifth rushing touchdown of the game. Mansfield closed out the scoring on a four-yard completion from Motley to tight end Eddie Van Buren.

Despite the loss, Mansfield head coach Chris Woods kept a positive perspective on the season.

"I don't want to take anything away from the accomplishments we made this season," Woods said. "Despite [the game's] outcome, it was an extraordinary season for Mountaineer football and we will have even higher goals for next year."

The loss prevented Mansfield from securing their first nine win season in school history, but the football team did win eight games in a season for only the second time in school history.



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Mansfield's Ryan Geishauser (25) tackles West Chester's Osagie Osunde during the season finale on Nov. 15.



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Cuts in funding lead to cuts in programs

By KELLY ANN MURRAY

Flashlight Writer

Several programs have been recommended for moratorium because of plans for Mansfield University budget adjustments for the 2004-2005 fiscal year, several programs have been recommended for moratorium. Some of these programs include Theatre, Applied Statistics and Computer Data Analysis, Sports Nutrition, Studio Art and the foreign languages.

These programs are being affected due to several reasons. State funding is the first. Mansfield University's state funding will be reduced because of decreases in the State System's base appropriation, and because of the systems revisions of fund distributions. Because of these cuts, the University began a University-wide budget planning process.

The Mansfield University Budget Adjustment Plan for Fiscal Year 2004-2005 analyzes why certain programs have been recommended for moratorium. One major that is analyzed is the theatre major. The

major consists of an average of twelve students and less than one graduate per year.

Other majors recommended for moratorium have similar statistics. Studio Art has an average of 19 majors per year, and fewer than four graduates. German has had an average of four majors over the past five years and has had no graduates. Although these majors may produce few graduates in comparison to larger competitors, many students currently enrolled in these programs are upset with the University's announcement.

Tony Spagnoli, a junior Theatre major, does not agree with the University's decision. "I think the administration made a big mistake by cutting two of the major art programs," Spagnoli said. "By doing that they are limiting the 'Big Opportunities' they refer to when promoting the university. In five years, I wouldn't be surprised if the university became 'Mansfield Tech'."

Students in the Theatre and Studio Art departments have been

loudly voicing their opinions of the cuts. Fliers have been posted on campus voicing their anger and frustration with the administration and the State System of Higher Education. The fliers say things like "Mansfield. Small university. Big lies. No opportunities."

Popular criticism among the Mansfield University campus points to an administrative lack of support for the arts. Fliers have

been posted around campus encouraging this idea. The fliers accuse the administration of being money hungry and shortsighted regarding their decisions.

The Budget Adjustment plan does not encourage the elimination of the arts at Mansfield, but merely explains why these programs are being recommended for moratorium. These majors all share a common link, low enrollment.



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Straughn Auditorium houses the theatre department, which was put into moratorium due to budget cuts.



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Look good? If you missed the LASO Hispanic dinner, you missed out on these empanadas, fried pastries filled with anything from meat to fruit. See the story, page 3.

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Campus Bulletin Board

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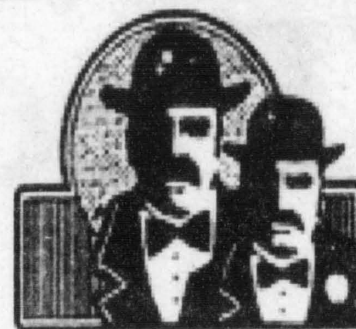
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November 19, 2003-Harassment-
 Two Mansfield University Students engaged in verbal harassment, resulting in a physical altercation. The incident being referred to residence life.

November 15, 2003-Indecent Assault and Disorderly Conduct-
 Raymond J. Hartman, 37 was charged for an alleged incident at the Keldner Fitness Center and judicially referred by University Police.

If you have any information regarding these cases, please contact University Police at 662-4900. **

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LASO holds annual Hispanic dinner

By JEANETTE ESTEVES

Flashlight Writer

The Latin American Students Organization celebrated their Second annual Hispanic dinner in North Manser, for their Hispanic Celebration Day.

Festivities began at 5p.m. on Nov. 20, with a buffet style setting. The atmosphere had a semi-formal feel with everyone sitting, chatting, and eating. Rosa Luciano, Historian for LASO, helped prepare and organize the dinner.

"The purpose of the dinner was to give Mansfield a taste of Latin food," Luciano said. "It was very successful, with many faculty and staff members attending, as well as several students."

The preparation of the food and making sure that everything was in order, kept Luciano busy all day. "It was worth our time and there was not a drop of food left," Luciano said.

Dishes that were served were the traditional Spanish rice with beans, Pasteles, which is a type of

meat turnover, Aje y Gallina con Arroz, a Peruvian type of chicken sauce that goes on top of rice, Feijoada, black beans and sausage a dish from Brazil, as well as a variety of deserts.

Some of the dishes were not only made by LASO's members, faculty helped cook as well. Faculty like Fanny Arango-Keeth and William Keeth helped with the Peruvian and Brazilian dishes. Both are professors of the Language and Literature department.

"The dinner was great," Na'eem Douglas, junior at Mansfield University said. "The food was excellent and there was an infectious atmosphere of Latino culture. I am so glad that I was a part of the event."

According to Douglas there was a much larger turnout this year than from last years dinner, and the proceeds will go to a scholarship that LASO plans to give to an incoming freshman to aid them with book money.

The Flashlight staff wishes Mansfield students good luck on all their finals!

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What in the world

By CHRISTOPHER SHADLE

Flashlight Writer

World News:

GENEVA- The difficulty of bringing about a successful and lasting peace plan to end years of conflict in the Middle East was magnified with last minute dissent among the Palestinians and strong opposition from the Israeli's. Officials from both sides began arriving in Geneva Monday to sign the unofficial "Geneva Accord" before a guest list expected to include former president Jimmy Carter and other winners of the Nobel peace prize. The treaty "proposes borders between Israel and a future Palestinian state close to Israel's borders before the 1967 Mideast war." Negotiator's for the peace plan claim their latest effort is in line with the American backed "road map" for peace.

SAMARRA, IRAQ- According to the U.S. military, 54 Iraqis were killed in this northern city as U.S. forces used tanks and cannons to fight their way out of simultaneous ambushes. The attacks came as the convoys were delivering new Iraqi currency to banks. Sunday's fighting was the bloodiest combat reported since the fall of Saddam Hussein, and according to the military many of the attackers in

Samarra were wearing uniforms of Saddam's "Fedayeen paramilitary force."

BEIJING- An 6.1 magnitude earthquake rumbled through western China's Xinjiang region on Monday killing 11 people and resulting in the collapse of dozens of homes. Thirty-four people



were reported as more than 700 homes succumbed to the quake, which hit 9:38 a.m. local time.

BERLIN- A Thai man who masqueraded as a woman to wed a German man has failed to get the marriage annulled. A German court dismissed the man's request for annulment because same-sex marriages are not recognized in Germany, and therefore cannot be reversed. The 42-year-old Thai man was married in Denmark under a false name in 1994 and was later granted German residency.

National News:
BOSTON, MA- Roman Catholic

Bishops in Massachusetts have called the state court decision supporting gay marriage a "national tragedy that could erode the institution of marriage." In a scathing letter to be read at Mass this weekend, the bishops said the Supreme Judicial Court's mid-May deadline for the legislature to rewrite marriage laws to provide benefits for gay couples is too rushed. The Bishops are urging their parishioners to "contact the governor and their state legislators to urge them to give our citizens more time to deal with this issue."

NEW YORK- Petite former Burger King manager Sonya Thomas defeated a pair of 400-pound rivals when she wolfed down 7.75 pounds of holiday food in 12 minutes winning her the Thanksgiving Invitational eating contest. Thomas, who weighs 106 pounds devoured massive helping of yams, green beans, cranberry sauce, turducken (turkey stuffed with duck), chicken and sausage to win the International Federation of Competitive Eating event. "I'm full but I could eat more," Thomas, 36 said. Asked her secret she responded, "I just eat fast, that's all."

Info taken from cnn.com, and Yahoo! news

Congratulations to the following Flashlight staff:

"Writer of the Month"
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Madrigal Christmas feast returns to Arcadia Theatre

WELLSBORO- The comedy, carols, and cuisine of the Middle Ages and Renaissance will fill the Arcadia Theatre again this December. The Arcadia Theatre in Wellsboro, PA will host the Mansfield University Department of Music, who will present a Madrigal Christmas Feast on Friday, Dec. 5 and Saturday, Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Featuring the Mansfieldians, the evening will feature a traditional Renaissance meal, seasonal music from the Medieval and Renaissance periods and a touch of comedy in the form of a theatrical performance.

The Mansfieldians is a highly selected group of 12 vocal performers from the Department of Music at Mansfield University. The group is under the direction of Peggy

Dettwiler. The group performs several times a year, both on campus, and at events across the area.

As part of the evening's entertainment, the group will present the play "The Ballad of King Windowglass", a comedy based on the popular carol Good King Wenceslas. If you are looking for a night off from holiday shopping or just looking something different to help make your holidays special, please consider this wonderful evening of entertainment.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$25 for high school and college students. Seating is limited, reservations are highly recommended. For more information please call the theatre box office at (570) 723-4329.

News from the region

By HILLARY GRUMBINE
Flashlight News Co-Editor

TIOGA COUNTY- The county is preparing to celebrate their bicentennial next year. Tioga County was established March 26, 1804 according to Eugene Seelye, Tioga County Historical Society president. The Historical Society is planning various events as well as commemorative souvenirs such as books, calendars and even coasters.

MANSFIELD- John W. Dawe, 22 and a Mansfield University graduate accused of possessing child pornography and posting others' personal information on the Internet will be on probation for four years. In addition, Dawe was fined \$500, ordered to sign affidavits swearing he has no other copies of the databases, undergo a psychiatric evaluation and submit a letter of apology to

the university. The charges against Dawe were initially filed after university police discovered that Dawe had allegedly used campus computers to download the information and save it to disk.

MANSFIELD- Mansfield University will be offering its first full-time municipal police training sessions starting in spring. The training, which is required to become a municipal police officer is a 750 hour program that is set to start April 19 and end in August. According to Barbara Corrigan, MU's director of law enforcement and certificate programs the university will still offer its part time academy as well.

Information taken from www.tioga-publishing.com and www.stargazette.com



Weekly Weather Forecast

Today- Sunny, high of 30°F, overnight low of 18°F.

Thursday- Mostly Sunny, high of 34°F, overnight low of 30°F.

Friday- Light wintry mix, high of 38°F, overnight low of 28°F

Saturday- Light Snow and Wind, high of 35°F, overnight low of 23°F

Sunday- Partly cloudy, high of 58°F, overnight low of 42°F

Monday- Partly cloudy, high of 33°F, overnight low of 19°F

Tuesday- Partly cloudy, high of 38°F, overnight low of 27°F.

Info. taken from Weather.com

Black Student Union hosts second annual fashion show

By AMY KENDIG
Flashlight Writer

The Black Student Union hosted their second annual fashion show Nov. 20, previewing this season's fashions and some of their own unique designs.

"I love the fashion show," Chad Landers, a junior at Mansfield University said. "It is my second year coming to the fashion show and I love the energy from the people on stage."

Hosts for the fashion show were Khineesha Johnson and Na'eem Douglas. This year there was no talent portion of the evening as opposed to last year's event. Instead, Akirah Bradley, BSU President, and Samara Truitt,

Fashion Show Chair, decided there should be two performances to open up the series of scenes.

Members of Zodiak Stance opened up the first portion of the show for the hip-hop, sports, business/evening, and punk rock scenes. Zodiak Stance included a creative and upbeat dance show to get the crowd on their feet.

Diversity of the Arts performed in the second half of the show for the cultural, pajamas/lingerie, back in the day, and anything goes scenes. The DOA performance started out with salsa influence then ended with a unique art of step.

There were eight scenes in the fashion show. Some of the

scenes were the same as last year, but there were three new scenes added to make the fashion show more enjoyable.

One new scene in the program was a punk rock scene. Latasha Lipscomb impressively choreographed the scene that made it fun for the audience to watch.

The models rocked out in their fish net stockings, torn shirts, ties, and wild hair. Models also used mesh shirts, short, plaid skirts, and baggy black pants with chains.

"The music and modeling compliment each other from the hip-hop scene to the punk rock scene," Xernalia Kayode, a freshman at Mansfield University said. "Hopefully if they have it next year, it will be just as good."

The cultural scene was not a new addition, but the way it was presented was new. Last year, the focus was on African heritage wear, whereas this year it is focused on heritage from various countries around the world.

The Mansfield International Student Organization and Latin American Student Organization cultured the audience by modeling clothing worn from Nigeria, Latin American countries, Ethiopia, and Russia.

Another new scene that was added to the program was an interesting flashback to the 70's and 80's. Nija Smith and Omoshuwa Omo-Abu choreographed this scene and the theme was definitely big hair and big shoes.

Students brought back the day in platform shoes and bell-bottom pants for the disco dancers. For the 80's fans, sweat bands, long sleeved shirts worn off the shoulder, high socks, and short skirts fashioned the scene.

"I thought that being in my first fashion show was strenuous, but it was fun and I would participate in it again," Nija Smith, a sophomore at Mansfield University said.

As the evening of fashion and fun ended, an audience favorite concluded the show. The anything goes scene was once again an "anything goes" scene. This year's creative models fashioned seran wrap, spongebob square pants, long johns, skirts made with belts, and outfits made with coat hangers.

This year there was a favorite among many in the anything goes scene. The fashion is a skirt and tank top set made from The Flashlight newspapers.

"Truly amazing; the vibe from the crowd and the models was incredi-

ble," Kayode said.

The audience this year was distinctly larger than last years and very enthusiastic. Students anticipate what BSU will do next year to top this year's promising fashion show.

"I am in awe of the creativity that the students possess," Dr. Shari Clarke, Vice President of Student Affairs said. "I think it is delightfully entertaining, as well as culturally educational, exposing many facets of African American cultures to the Mansfield University community."



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Fashion show models participate in the punk rock scene.



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A fashion show participant models Flashlight fashion.

MU Concert Wind Ensemble finishes tour at home

By JENNIFER NELSON
Associate Editor
and MARK GENDLE
Special to the Flashlight

After several days of performing around the Eastern region of the state, the Mansfield University Concert Wind Ensemble finished their tour in front of the Mansfield campus and community on Nov. 23.

"Touring this semester was so different from any other tour," senior Mike Heaney said. "At the end of the tour we got to go to a professional recording studio and record all the songs that we have been practicing for the short tour."

Under the direction of Dr. Adam F. Brennan, Music Department Chair and director of bands, the ensemble features 49 performers who have been "hailed as an outstanding performing ensemble, richly sensitive, musically compelling, and deeply passionate." This year the ensemble's program included eight different works - several of them were tied to Mansfield University. "The wind ensemble concert was possibly the best experience I have had making music with my peers," senior performer Kristyn Morgan said. "I could not have asked for a nicer concert."

A piece composed by Dr. Brennan,

"Tenebrae (Dark Hours)" was premiered. Brennan was inspired by the tragic incident this summer that involved the suicide of a young boy. "Never had any of us in this small town thought for a minute that we would be faced by such a sorrowful incident," Brennan said. "The concert was amazing," junior member Kylee Fosmer said. "I always like hearing them perform. My favorite part was Dr. Brennan's piece, it was so captivating, I understood what he was trying to portray throughout the whole thing."

"From a performer's standpoint, premiering a piece like 'Tenebrae (Dark Hours)' forces you to connect with the humanistic nature of music," senior Mark Murphy said. "Returning to campus, only a few short miles from where the tragic events that inspired the piece occurred, brought the piece to life." The ensemble opened their performance with Claude T. Smith's "Eternal Father, Strong to Save". Smith created this piece for the U.S. Navy's 50th anniversary. This particular piece produced 'variations' on the Naval Hymn. Following Smith's work was H.E. Cogswell's "The Black Diamond Knights March". This was the first of two marches performed by the ensemble. Dr. Michael Galloway, professor of

music at Mansfield, arranged this piece in such a way to depict the region's coal history. This march is significant to a documentary by sociology professor Dr. Gale Largey. It is going to be recorded and used in the documentary.

"Jericho Rhapsody" and "Sketches on a Tudor Psalm" were next on the program. Morton Gould composed "Jericho Rhapsody" when he was 25 years old. There are eight sections that illustrate "the trials of a war of biblical proportions". Fisher Tull created "Sketches on a Tudor Psalm" in 1971. This piece by Thomas Tallis is set during the "Second Psalm" based on Tudor's power over England.

Hiram Carney Miller's "Salute to Wellsboro March" was the last march

performed by the ensemble. Miller composed 50 marches including this salute. Dr. Michael Galloway of Mansfield arranged this piece. It will also be included in the documentary by Dr. Largey. "The Yellowstone Fires" by Dan Welcher is his second part to his trilogy. "The Yellowstone Fires, in contrast to other compositions on the program, offered a contemporary, often dissonant and sporadic episode to an otherwise programmatic concert," Murphy said. "The percussive nature of the pieces, combined with the dark tonalities and resonant ending were reflective of the devastation of one of our greatest national parks."

"Zion" the final piece played by the ensemble, is the third part of the trilogy.

Each work depicts national parks in the western parts of the U.S. "The Yellowstone Fires" portrays the wildfires of Yellowstone National Park. "Zion" illustrates Zion National Park in Utah.

"The concert was the best I have heard yet it was an emotional roller coaster with the piece Dr. Brennan wrote," junior Mandy Monahan said. "It was the first time I ever cried, and this quality is something I hope to expect in the future."

"You know a musical ensemble has done their job when they can make the audience feel emotion from their playing," junior Steph Trencansky said. "In their most recent concert, the MU Wind Ensemble did just that."



Network show entertains MU students

It's a good bet that most television sets in Mansfield will be tuned to the Dec. 5 episode of "Hope and Faith" on the ABC television network.

That's because 46 students from Mansfield University's Communication Department attended its taping.

Students watched the comedy starring Kelly Ripa and Faith Ford for over five hours as a culmination to a full day of media involvement in New York City earlier last month. Other stops included the new XM satellite radio studios, the Museum of Television and Radio, and Planet Hollywood. For most everyone, the stop at Silvercup Studios to watch "Hope and Faith" was the most illuminating.

At least that's the feeling of MU Communication Professor Bob Armstrong, who planned the trip for his students for the second straight year.

"We've been discussing how shows develop and are maintained by networks, both internally through its writing and charac-

ters, and externally through its network position and scheduling," Armstrong said. "So this opportunity to see a program grow and change before our eyes was very instructive."

Students from Armstrong's American Broadcast History course and his Electronic Media Management class attended. "We saw the characters discuss their motivation with the director, writers huddling to change lines on the spot, and countless retakes" in order for the new comedy show to be at its best," Armstrong said.

The results of that effort will be seen this Friday as Faith Ford's character is required to attend 'anger management' classes for a misunderstood 'outburst' at her child's basketball game. "It seemed like a very funny episode" noted Armstrong, "but it's hard to know what happened (in editing) between the taping and the airing of the show this week."

"Hope and Faith" is ABC's highest-rated new comedy show and the anchor for the network's revival of

its popular "TGIF" schedule on Friday.

One of Armstrong's students who will be tuned in is Kristen Wiltse, a junior broadcasting student from Hannibal, NY. She was one of two students who received an autographed script after the taping and spoke briefly with Ripa and male co-star Ted McGinley. "I realized just how much work really goes into a television production," Wiltse said. "It gave me an appreciation for the responsibilities of the entire cast and crew in making a 30-minute show."

Plans are already forming for another trip next fall. "I hope it solidifies what I'm trying to do in the classroom," Armstrong said. "There's tremendous opportunity out there but it comes only through lots of hard work and effort." He said projects like this are one of the things that makes Mansfield University unique in the state system.

"Hope and Faith" can be seen on WENY-TV 36, Elmira, and on Blue Ridge cable channel 9.

Campus union offices to relocate in January

HARRISBURG - The president of the union representing the 5,500 professors at Pennsylvania's 14 state-owned universities announced today the intention of the organization to move their local chapter offices off university grounds, effective January 12, 2004.

"Unless we see major progress on a broad number of issues during the December negotiating sessions, we will have no choice but to remove our local chapter offices from the campuses of our universities," State APSCUF President William E. Fulmer said.

APSCUF and the State System of Higher Education have been negotiating for 22 months, yet only one article (out of 43) of the contract has been even tentatively resolved. The current pact expired on June 30, 2003.

"This situation cannot go on

forever," Fulmer said. "We continue to hope that we can resolve these matters at the table, but given the lack of progress to date, we must reluctantly begin to make other plans," Fulmer said.

Fulmer called on all APSCUF locals to prepare and have their plans finalized such that all 5,500 professors across the State System would be ready for a job action.

"This does not mean that we will strike in January - just that we will be ready to do so," Fulmer said.

The union's rank and file membership voted for a strike authorization on September 29-30, 2003 by a 95% margin. The next formal negotiation sessions are scheduled for December 18-19, 2003, in Harrisburg.

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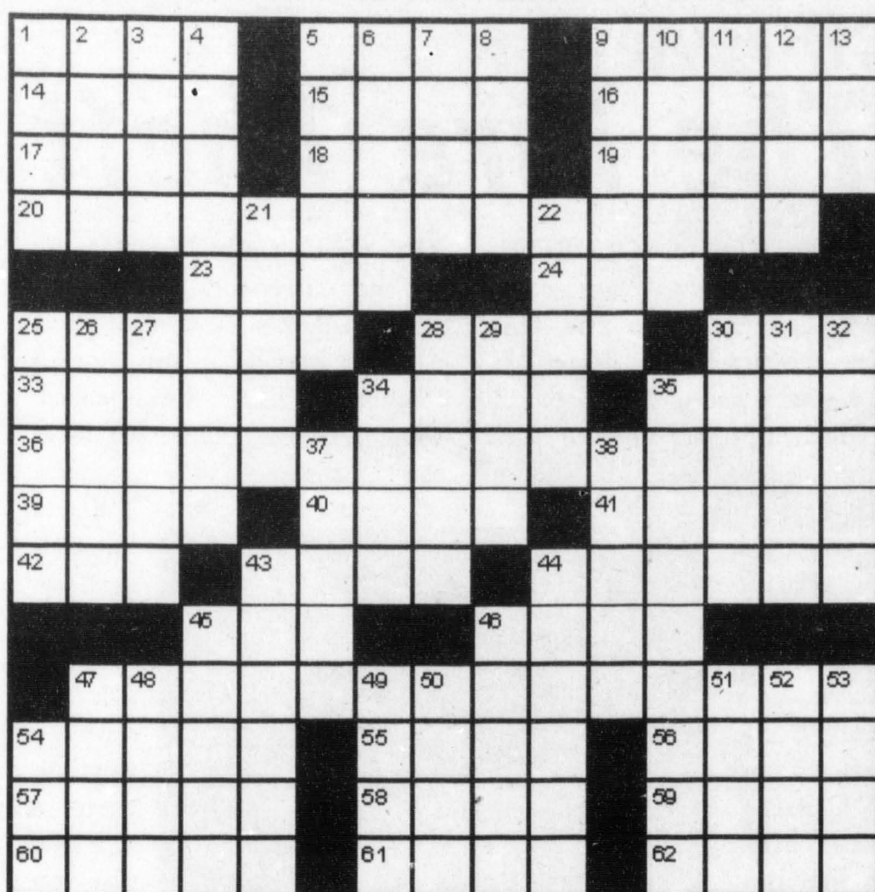
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12. Against
13. Affirmative
21. Information
22. Recurring theme
25. Terra _____
26. Sap-sucking insects
27. Prophets
28. Italian coins
29. Alien transportation (abbr)
30. Poem division
31. Double curve
32. Video game character Max
34. Pawn
35. Daytime television drama
37. Introvert
38. Initiative
43. Line on a weathermap
44. Printing error
45. Join
46. Romantic poet Lord _____
47. Power
48. Colored portion of the eye
49. Lazy
50. Sound a horn
51. Baking device
52. Actress Russo
53. To suppose
54. Crooked

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

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The Cat in the Hat (PG)



New bill same old face

By ROB ANTECKI

Aquinas Times (Aquinas College)

In an effort to reduce the incidence of counterfeiting, the U.S. Department of the Treasury recently issued redesigned \$20 bills, following changes to the notes made for the 1996 series.

The alterations are numerous: A different color for the background of the note, a slightly modified portrait of president Andrew Jackson without an oval frame, the image of a blue eagle on the left front side behind the federal seal, a smaller image of a metallic green eagle on the right near the bottom of the portrait, a waving banner image of the words "Twenty USA, USA Twenty," directly behind the seal of the Treasury on the right front side of the note, numerous locations of complex micro-printing, color shifting ink, a multitude of small yellow 20s on the left back side of the bill, a new location for the plate number in the upper right front, and a more artistic vignette effect on the back blending the image of the White House into the background. The new \$20 bills also include many security features already in place in the 1996 series, such as watermarking, a security thread and fibers, and intaglio printing.

They are printed on the same cotton and linen rag paper as well. Some electronic cash handling machines are not yet able to read

the new bills, such as the U-Scan devices at many Meijer stores. All currency, regardless of age, is just as good as the newer bills, and U.S. currency has never been devalued. According to the Secret Service, it is rare that a fraudulent bill is seen by the public, as only one to two



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bills are counterfeit out of every 10,000. There was \$130 million in counterfeit money seized before it entered circulation in 2002, and \$44.3 million in fraudulent U.S. currency was removed across the globe in that same year.

One of Aquinas's own students recently had an encounter with counterfeit bills. Sophomore Liz Graff paid for a purchase at a Mrs. Fields cookie store in Woodland Mall and then went back to work at Marshall Fields. About an hour later, two police officers asked to speak with her and questioned her for about 10 minutes before informing her that the \$5 bill she had used to pay for her purchase was counterfeit. Graff was asked to repay Mrs. Fields and questioned further about the source of the bill. Detective Bowser of the Kent County Sheriff's Department said

that about three to four cases of counterfeit money are reported to them each month. Usually, by the time people realize that they have been given fraudulent money, they have no idea who passed it to them. Bowser said that commonly counterfeited bills include 50s, 20s, and fives. The Sheriff's department files a report and turns cases over to the Secret Service, which is the government department that handles counterfeit money. The Treasury Department plans to redesign bills about every five to seven years in an

effort to keep up with the latest technology that gets into the hands of counterfeiters.

Newly designed \$50 and \$100 bills will be introduced in 2004 and 2005, and changes for the \$5 and \$10 bills are in discussion, although one and two dollar bill will remain the same. The Treasury Department's latest efforts to thwart counterfeiters will surely come as a relief to many who might come in contact with counterfeit money such as Graff did.

"I wasn't happy that I had to repay the counterfeit money because it's not my fault that it was fraudulent...they questioned me in front of customers and people I work with, and they wouldn't tell me what they were questioning me for even after I asked them. I thought that was kind of ridiculous," said Graff.

CD review: *The Fire Theft*

By NICHOLAS COLDREN

Flashlight Writer

This September, The Fire Theft released their self-titled first album. If you're a fan of Radiohead or Coldplay, this is another door you must open because what you will discover on the other side is amazing. Fire Theft used to be known as Sunny Day Real Estate (SDRE). They broke up like married couples fight, however, the divorce finally came. The vocalist

Jeremy Enigik and the phenomenal drummer William Goldsmith from SDRE decided to move on. With the bass player Nate Mendel from the Foo Fighters, they started jamming around in the studio. The new Fire Theft was formed, but not yet stable enough to release the album.

They went on a small tour to try out their material on an audience. I personally saw them during that tour on March 21 this year in Philly at the TLA. I was hooked, along with every other person in the crowd that night.

Their sound is mellow, yet has an uplift that draws you into the music that you can finally tune out the drunk kid kicking



The Fire Theft's first, self titled, album features members from Sunny Day Real Estate.

ing the trash can in the hallway. The next time you find yourself looking for a CD worth buying, pick up The Fire Theft. Just go online and buy it now, don't even wait. If you want to have a taste before you buy the platter, download the song Its Over or Sinatra. Trust me. Seriously...

The Flashlight's Top Ten Holiday Movies

10. *The Nightmare Before Christmas*
9. *Rudolph, The Red Nosed Reindeer*
8. *Frosty the Snowman*
7. *Scrooged*
6. *It's A Wonderful Life*
5. *Christmas Vacation*
4. *The Muppet Christmas Carol*
3. *A Christmas Story*
2. *Dr. Suess's How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (the original cartoon, thank you very much)
1. *A Charlie Brown Christmas*

Attention,
Flashlight
writers!



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Internet becoming an addicting habit

By ADAM CRAWFORD
The Lantern (Ohio State U.)

Spending endless hours on the Internet chatting to friends, exploring Web pages and neglecting life's obligations may be warning signs of Internet addiction.

With the rapid growth of the Internet in recent years, researchers are discovering Internet abuse may affect the quality of people's lives.

Dr. Kimberly S. Young, executive director for the Center for OnLine Addiction, has conducted Internet addiction research since 1994. Young says Internet addiction is increasing as more people are going online.

"I have done a variety of research -- from the clinical applications that first identified the symptoms, risk factors and treatment strategies associated with the disorder, to ways corporations deal with employee Internet abuse," she says.

Young says the addiction can lead to divorce, job loss, depression, anxiety and academic failure. She claims the free and unlimited Internet use on college campuses has caused many students to become addicted to their computers.

Most Internet researchers agree online addiction is a new epidemic and it has the potential to affect those who abuse the Internet.

According to an article written by David Greenfield, founder and CEO of The Center for Internet Studies and Psychological Health Associates, the Internet may cause abusive and compulsive behavior for some individuals.

"Studies suggest that the Internet may have psychological properties that are capable of altering mood and behavior, often with little or no awareness," Greenfield says.

He has devised a series of red flags to help users realize when, and if, they are addicted to the Internet.

The first is getting carried away

with the Internet -- spending more time online to achieve satisfaction, being unsuccessful in cutting back usage, using the Internet to escape problems, committing illegal acts online and jeopardizing relationships, jobs or even educational careers.

Danielle Arnold, an Ohio State University freshman in business administration, says she's on the Internet over five hours a day. She says she gets online to talk to people, play games, check her e-mail and do homework.

"Yeah, I am addicted," she says. "I would go nuts without it. I go on because I'm bored and it's convenient."

She says Internet addiction can result in the loss of social skills and can cause people to become lazy.

Daniel Thomas, a senior in political science at OSU, says his computer is connected to the Internet 24 hours a day, but his usage is mainly school-related.

Thomas says he is not addicted to the Internet, but knows people who are very engaged in talking on AOL Instant Messenger.

"I would say it's getting bad if everywhere you go you need to be online," he says. "If you're at work and you sign on, or typing in the computer lab and talking on Instant Messenger, I would say it's getting bad."

Thomas also sees the Internet as a positive communication tool and says if some people don't have a good cell phone plan, computers offer good way for them to communicate with friends.

Thomas says the best thing for Internet addicts to do is simply turn off the computer or limit their time online.

Greenfield's solution to Internet addiction is to turn off the computer, find other interests, exercise, try counseling, develop new relationships and shorten Internet usage.

HEY YOU!

You should write for *The Flashlight!* Our meetings are Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in AHUB 317. Be there or be... somewhere not as cool as the *Flashlight* meeting.

CD Review: blink 182

By MIKE PETERS

Flashlight Writer

Blink 182 released their seventh studio album in 11 years on Nov. 18 with their self-titled release.

This album opened up a whole new side of the San Diego CA. punk trio. After taking time off to work on other side projects, Boxcar Racer and The Transplants, the three punk rockers joined forces to create a much more mature endeavor in the realm of punk rock.

When listening to "Blink 182," (I know, its confusing), I got the feel of Tom DeLonge, guitarist, and the drummer Travis Barker's side project: Boxcar Racer. The lyrics were impressive and deep. Their message makes the listener think consistently, which is something the band has been lacking in previous albums. Don't get me wrong, a funny album is great, but an album like the one they just produced is impressive.

The album starts off with their single, "Feeling This." It's a great way to open a record. The tune starts off low and right as the listener creeps forward in their chair to hear it more closely; they get kicked in their unsuspecting forehead with the first chord. Then

we have rock.

The most impressive part of this cd is the lyrics. There is no further evidence of the maturity the band has shown that in perhaps



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my favorite song, "I Miss You." "This sick strange darkness comes creeping on so haunting every time and as I stared I counted webs from all the spiders catching things and eating their insides like indecision to call you and hear your voice of treason will you come home and stop this pain tonight."

A new feature that Blink brought to the table is the immaculate transition. They go from song to song without any break, almost like a "concept album," like Pink Floyd is famous for.

Track eight, "Go" is the fastest

and shortest song on the record. It is one minute and 53 seconds full of attitude, in which vocalist and bassist Mark Hoppus tells a story about his parents fighting when he was a young child. "I'll put the angry thoughts of the man inside, and put the look of fear in my mothers eyes"

The Cure's Robert Smith makes a cameo on this album in the ballad "All of this." Smith joined DeLonge and Hoppus in this love song, dedicating one man's life to his one love. The Cure is found again, and Blink 182 has finally returned to the dual vocal technique they used in their fourth album, "Dude Ranch." It is truly amazing. Unfortunately, this is an album in which most old school Blink 182 fans will shy away from at first because of its differences from the earlier albums, but given a fair shot and a good couple listens, most everyone will enjoy it. This is a musical breakthrough in the punk rock world.

Sorry to disappoint the old fans, but you won't find any songs about bestiality, or incest, just songs about heartbreak, betrayal and raw emotion. Ladies and gentlemen, I introduce to you the new Blink 182.

Random Ramblings

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

★ Someone who doesn't have anything to do with *The Flashlight's* Commercial Rant of the Week (courtesy of my dear friend Juliet): "So...I am currently watching TV and I see this commercial for Ricola cough suppressants. Now, this commercial shows a man eating a cough drop and then a TV falls from a tall building and joust bounces off his head. No harm comes to this man...he simply smiles and continues to walk...eating his cough drop...smiling. What the heezie? If I am walking down the street and a TV fell on my head...first off, I would die. I would not be smiling my a** off and eating a cough drop. So based on this commercial, I should be able to eat a Ricola cough drop survive death by televisions falling

on my head. Well, sign me up! If I had known that a cough drop could stop random objects from the sky falling on to my head and killing me, I would have started eating these little miracle drops years ago!"

★ TB's Commercial Rant of the Week (courtesy of of The Resa, Fizzle EdiDizzle): *Ahem... Raindrops on Roses and whiskers on kittens...*

Annoying teen boopers who smirk in Gap mittens...

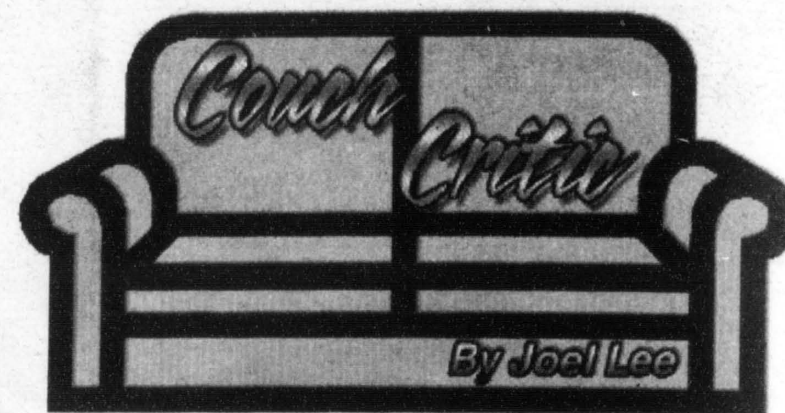
Rainbows that rain skittles and always with wings....

TV commercials are some of my least favorite things.....

★ Rachel's Commercial Rant of the Week: Those new Old Navy commercials featuring superstars that no one cares about. Case in

point...Fran "I'm awesome as long as I keep my freggin' mouth shut" Drescher playing phone operator and Lil' "I can't believe she's fully clothed!" Kim. And a monkey. Someone please, please, for the love of all that is holy, tell me what a monkey has to do with hot pink Old Navy fleece sweatshirts.

★ OH!! And one more just 'cause I just remembered it: That AOL commercial with Jerry Stiller and Snoop Dogg? I nearly peed myself when I first saw it, because we used to microwave the AOL CD's just to see what would happen, but then it turned out to be serious. I'm really glad the Doggfather of rap has lowered himself to announcing, "Now wait just one minizzle" on national television.



Bring back the air guitar, right now. Some people have said the air guitar never went away, but all true followers of rock and roll know the air guitar died when David Lee Roth and the Van Halen brothers parted ways. The air guitar is a symbol of connection, a way to verify the music rocks; its demise in our culture indicates a lack of passion in music. No one feels the desire to let loose, to look dumb, and to just rock out. Air guitar, air drums, air piano, air bass, they all should be revered as ethereal moments of enlightenment hidden inside a shared expression of love for music. Going insane in your room, wildly flailing away with your air guitar, enables you to reach a musical nirvana, a complete immersion into music, into the notes, vocals, and overall capacity for music to create feelings. Air guitar haters all say that it is not cool, it looks dumb, whatever, but haters never have any fun. They want all music to be serious; they are the people who don't realize how great Foghat's Slowride really is. Understanding the air guitar means understanding the joy of music, even serious music. Serious music still has an understated joy in it, an expression of sound and emotions and grandness, and the air guitar captures all of this. The air guitar expresses the exhilaration of music, the very essence of music; it is unadulterated fun, a symbolic gesture akin to raising your lighter when Freebird comes on the radio. Music is grand and expansive like a drum circle that never ends, a complete celebration of life; with no air guitar, music loses itself and no longer expresses the joy of making music. The air guitar encapsulates all music, brings music directly to the listener, and becomes a shared experience between artist and listener. It is fun, like music should be.



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DVD Review: *Down With Love*

By RACHEL ADAMS

Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

This DVD first caught my eye in *Take Two* because, after a few nasty spills and heartbreaks, I had recently decided to give up on love, "the root of all midnight blues," entirely. Feeling a bit bitter, I read the summary on the back of the box. The premise seemed fitting enough for my mood: Barbara Novak (Renee Zellweger), a novelist, writes a book called "Down With Love," urging all women to forgo the traditional female longing for love and marriage, and instead become self-sufficient. She wants them to "live life the way a man does": refraining from love, but not sex. Instead, women should eat chocolate until they learn to get the same pleasure from sex as they do from the endorphin-triggering chocolate, and then they will be able to enjoy sex without having to fall in love with the man first. There are three levels one must attain to truly be a "Down With Love girl," and Novak is intent on keeping her status as a Level Three vixen.

(Just as a little sidenote, there's a lot of chocolate in this movie. It always seems to show up whenever a character is feeling particularly...randy, if you will, whether it be in the form of chocolate bars, chocolate cake or chocolate mousse. In fact, I found myself nibbling on a giant Hershey kiss while writing this review, but we'll leave that analysis to my psychology-major roommate and get on with it.)

Novak arrives in New York City one week before the release of her book to drum up some publicity. She's guaranteed an interview with

"ladies' man, mans' man, man-about-town" tomcat journalist Catcher Block (Ewan McGregor), who writes for *Know* magazine, the publication for "men in the know." Block, too consumed with bedding three airline stewardesses in 24 hours to talk to her, breaks three interview dates with Novak - breakfast, lunch and dinner. After hanging up on him in a huff, Novak decides to rely on her own methods to get noticed, with astonishing results. She even drops Block's name as an example of a male chauvinist pig on a national television show. Suddenly women all over the country - nay, the world - are reading her book and living like men, and Block can't get a date to save his life. Novak is the next big thing for women - "even bigger than the Pill!"

Needless to say, the men aren't very happy at this new "Sex a la Carte" version of their wives and girlfriends, and Block sets out to disprove Novak's theory that women don't need love and marriage. Planning to write one of his Pulitzer-prize-winning exposés, he weaves an intricate web of lies, all with the intention of getting Novak to fall in love with him once and for all, and turn her ideas on end. She willingly (and seemingly unwittingly) steps into his trap, and thus begins a whirlwind courtship through New York City, with a few mishaps thrown in by Novak's editor, Vikki Hiller (Sarah Paulson), and Block's boss, Peter MacMannus (David Hyde Pierce), who are also slowly falling in love with each other.

As the plot unfurls, you'll be leaning back in your chair with all the cocky assurance in the world, convinced you know exactly how it turns out. It's unfolding perfectly, all the pieces are in place, and then in one quick moment everything's turned upside down. The shock has just barely worn off and you're again thinking you know what's going to happen, then bam! Just like that, it's heading off in a different direction. The last twenty minutes of *Down With Love* have more twists and turns than that hill past the Turkey Farm - you know, the one you always take at 75 even though the speed limit is 50. It finally culminates with an ending as unbelievable as the film itself, and you sigh happily with the realiza-

tion that a Hollywood ending always makes everything all right.

Overall, I really enjoyed this film. Zellweger and McGregor have great chemistry, which makes the sexual innuendoes (they're flying back and forth faster than women throw themselves at Catcher Block) sizzle. Hyde Pierce (the perpetually downtrodden Dr. Niles Crane on "Frasier") was his usual flighty, effeminate self, and Paulson (*What Women Want*, *The Other Sister*) shone as a no-nonsense big-city book editor with a soft spot for MacMannus, the man with 20 diagnosed neuroses. The clothing and accessories were spot-on for the sixties, and the ever-present NYC skyline added a certain magic to the whole situation. It made me miss being in love in New York City: there's just something about the Big Apple that lends itself to hopeless romance.

According to imdb.com, *Down With Love* is supposed to be a spoof on Rock Hudson/Doris Day movies of old. Having never seen any Hudson/Day films, I really can't say whether or not this is true, but the fact remains that this flick is definitely worth watching. The DVD has tons of special features, like a Zellweger/McGregor song-and-dance video, commentary by director Peyton Reed (who directed *Bring It On*, as well as the short-lived "The Weird Al Show" on TV), bloopers, and deleted scenes; all of which, in my humble opinion, deserved to be deleted. I don't think the features make it worth shelling out the cash to buy the DVD, but it's still a very good option when you're looking for something to rent.

Is it a date flick? Nope, unless you're a guy trying to atone for something hopelessly stupid you've done, or building up brownie points for next time. It's a movie for the girls to see with their chick friends, painting toenails and eating chocolate, swooning over the incredibly smooth Block. At least, that's what my roommate and I were doing, and we enjoyed it just fine.

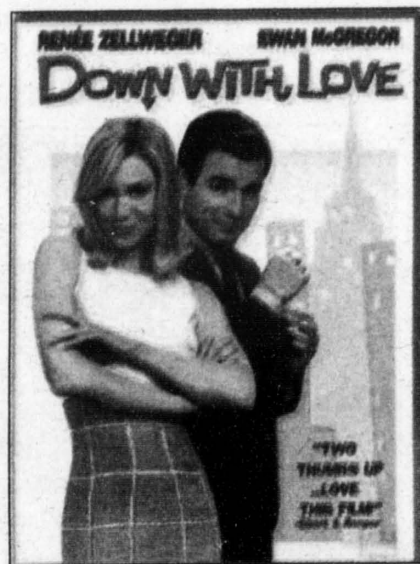
And now, the most important part: did it convince me to quit being a "down with love girl" and give this whole relationship another try? Ehh...okay, so maybe I'll give it one more shot!



"May your days be merry and bright..."



Happy Holidays
from all of us at
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Down With Love deals with the classic battle of the sexes.

OPINION & EDITORIAL



From the Editor's Desk: Taking one last look behind me

By RACHEL ADAMS
Editor-in-Chief of the Flashlight

*It's quarter to three
There's no one in the place except you and me
So set 'em up, Joe
I got a little story I think you should know
We're drinkin', my friend, to the end of a sweet episode
Make it one for my baby, and one more for the road*

My dear readers,

This whole crazy journey started in August 2001, when I approached *The Flashlight's* booth at the Organizational Fair. I was a brand-new journalism major, a junior in terms of credits, and I was interested in getting some experience. I had never written for a newspaper before, and I knew nothing about Associated Press style or layout. The editorial board didn't mind my inexperience, and welcomed me with open arms. (I assumed they recognized my untapped potential, but later found out that the editorial board *always* embraces new writers. We can't help it - we just get so excited when someone wants to write for us.)

A few weeks later, I stopped by the *Flashlight* office to introduce myself to the rest of the editorial board. The instant I stepped through the door, I knew I was home. I had spent three semesters as a music major trying to find myself in Butler Music Center, and a fourth semester soul-searching in the former East Germany, but nothing gave me more peace than this cluttered little corner of Alumni Hall. I can't explain it, but I just knew...this was where I belonged.

I wrote my heart out that semester, sometimes churning out five articles a week. I was beginning to realize how much I loved to write, and I earned massive extra credit for Mr. Bill Alnor's journalism classes; I was the only student in the class who wrote regularly for *The Flashlight*. I couldn't help it - I was hooked.

When Dan Amidon asked to see me after one of our weekly staff meetings, I nearly died. I couldn't imagine what I had done to warrant a meeting with the editor-in-chief, but my fears were quickly allayed when he smiled at me and asked me if I'd like to replace Denise Hurne, who was leaving MU, as Features Editor. I couldn't believe that an organization as lofty as *The Flashlight* would ever dream of allowing me on the board, but I accepted before they could change their minds.

What followed was a year-long stint as Features Editor in which I learned the ropes. I learned how to lay out a page, how to copy edit in Associated Press style and how to deal with a writer who wouldn't do what I wanted them to. I took a few tumbles and made more than a few mistakes, but I was happy. I began to make a name for myself with "Random Ramblings," and really came into my own with the other members of the editorial board.

In the spring of 2003, I swapped spots with Theresa Benner and became News Editor, a position I hated from the beginning. I enjoyed having the front page all to myself and having the privilege to decide what stories went there, but that's about all I liked. I came close to quitting my position time and time again, but I could never quite bring myself to lower the axe. What ultimately made me stick it out was an honest love for writing and for *The Flashlight*: I want to do what's best for the newspaper, always, in every situation.

What a surprise it was, then, after that disastrous semester, to be appointed Editor-in-Chief! I could hardly believe my luck, and immediately set about making plans for Fall 2003. I've tried to be honest and fair, and to always tell it like it is. I know I've made mistakes, and I know I've made people angry, but I can honestly say I don't regret a single thing I've said, either in this column or off the record. I hope everyone on the staff and

the Mansfield campus will look back on "The Adams Administration" with favorable thoughts.

Even in my "used-to-read-the-dictionary-for-fun" vocabulary, there aren't words to describe how much this newspaper has meant to me. Through new loves and broken hearts, straight A's and failed exams, this office has been my one constant. When my mother died and the world crashed to pieces around my feet, *The Flashlight* gave me something to do to keep my mind off everything. It's the one thing in the world I know I can do well, the one love that hasn't eventually gotten tired of me and left. My grades have suffered, friendships have gone neglected, and relationships have fallen apart because of my dedication. *The Flashlight* is my baby, my first true love, and not a lot of people understand that. Walking out this door for the last time feels like leaving a piece of myself behind.

I can't explain how I feel about the experiences I've had here, nor how it feels to know they're all coming to a bittersweet end. I love to hold a new issue in my hands and breathe in its scent; admire the ink that rubs off onto my fingers. To have my name at the top of the staff box is the world's greatest honor.

That's not to say there isn't a bright future ahead of me. In January, when the rest of you are puzzling out new schedules and new professors, I'll be walking in the door of the *Elmira Star-Gazette* to start my semester-long internship. I'm looking forward to taking that next step, forever reaching for something better than what I already have. When I graduate in May, I'm free to go wherever I please. (I'm thinking New York City or Boston, but that may change. I've always been terrible at making decisions.) No matter where I go or what I end up doing, I'll always have a soft spot in my heart for *The Flashlight*, that sixteen-page weekly rag from the SSHE's second-smallest university.

And now, at long last, readers, it's time for me to say my good-byes. I'll miss you all, from President Halstead right down to the freshman who picks up *The Flashlight* because it's lying on a table in Manser. Thank you for cheering for me. Thank you for telling me when I made a mistake. Thank you for making our 1750 copies disappear with unprecedented speed every week. But, most of all, thank you for doing what you do, from winning awards to breaking the law. Without you, we wouldn't have any reason to do what we do.

*Well, that's how it goes, and Joe, I know you're getting anxious to close
So, thanks for the cheer; I hope you didn't mind me bending your ear
For all of the years, for the laughs, for the tears, for the class that you showed
Make it one for my baby, and one more for the road
That long, long road*

"One for My Baby (and One More for the Road)" - Bette Midler

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Letter to the Editor: *Correction to Politics and Opinion column*

To the Editor:

I appreciated reading Christopher Shadel's observations of Wednesday, November 19, 2003 regarding some of the consequences of the adjustments indicated in the recently published Budget Adjustment Plan for Fiscal Year 2004-2005. However, I wish to offer a correction to the statement found in that column regarding "programs that are being put into moratorium including... all foreign language programs." Section VI.3 of the Budget Adjustment Plan contains the following language: "It is further recommended that the Foreign Language programs (French, German, Spanish) join the collaborative in which Slippery Rock, and Clarion are currently engaged. This would allow them to continue the major... participation in the collaborative would allow for periodic teaching of upper-level classes. If any or all of the programs decided not to join

the collaborative, the discipline will continue to be taught; however, new students [would] no longer be able to enroll in the programs as majors." (MU Budget Adjustment Plan-FY 04-05 17).

The modern languages faculty are currently considering the opportunity to continue majors in French, German, and Spanish through participation in the collaborative. Mansfield's language faculty would contribute substantially to the further development of the collaborative. Our language programs are very high quality and like mathematics, the sciences, history, English and the Fine Arts, and a couple of other subjects constitute the central core of the liberal arts, the very center of what sets Mansfield off from a trade or training institution.

Sincerely,
Walter Sanders
Chair, Languages and Literature

Letter to the Editor: *Recognition for the Pride*

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to this weeks edition of the Flashlight. On the back page, there is a big article on the graduating seniors on the football team. Nick DeSantis made a comment about how it was very emotional. To be putting on their uniform the last time. It is the same way for the seniors in the band. Many of the graduating seniors have been in the band for 4 years, and in one case 5 years. The band is graduating close to 20 members, while the football team is graduating 7. I feel that those seniors in the band deserve to be recognized as well. They put in as much time, or even more time than those seniors on the football team. It is just as emotional for the seniors in the band. In the article about Steve McClosky, it says that all of the mothers of the graduating athletes get corsages, and a framed picture of their son/daughter. Why can't that be the same for the band.

I feel that the band is just as deserving. For years, many of the people at the football games came to watch the band. Most of the parents were band parents. Only recently, when the football team started winning, did people show up to support the team. The band has always supported the football team, yet we get no recognition for it. It is almost like it was expected for the band to be there, for us to play for the team. For years, the band has supported the football team, with no recognition.

In conclusion, I would like to say congratulations to the graduating seniors in the band. You guys deserve more recognition than you get. You have done great things for the Pride, and I hope you will continue to do great things in your life. You will be missed.

Sincerely,
Amber Sisson

Letter to the Editor: *Why can't we voice our opinions?*

To the Editor:

Was there ever a possibility of an Applebee's Restaurant being built in Mansfield? What about a Friday's or a small dance club called The College Spot? Do you know the answer? Probably not, because Mansfield University students aren't involved enough with the governance of Mansfield Borough.

Students at Mansfield University and at different colleges and universities all over the United States have a problem. The problem is that officials we don't know for nine or ten months out of the year are governing us. We live, eat, and populate the borough of Mansfield, PA for approximately nine months out of the year, every year. The 2003 - 2004 academic year saw an increase in MU population to a record 3,520 students. The population of Mansfield, PA is approximately 3,600 people. We almost doubled the town's population this year. Because of this problem, we are losing out on possible inquiries and town happenings that could positively affect our way of life here in Mansfield.

What is the number one complaint MU students have about where we attend school? "There is nothing to do in Mansfield." We've all heard that statement before. What if we could make a difference and be heard when it comes to town zoning laws, town tax laws or approving different establishments coming into town?

Mansfield University students should be allowed to vote and run in local elections in Mansfield and Tioga County. According to a Pennsylvania Voter Registration Application Form General Instructions, the only criteria you must have to vote are:

"Be a citizen of the United States for at least one month before the next election

Be a resident of Pennsylvania and your election district for at least 30 days before the next election

Be at least 18 years of age on the day of the next election."

I am a citizen of the US, I reside in the state of Pennsylvania and in the Tioga County election district for at least 30 days before an election, and I am at least 18 years old. So, why am I not eligible to vote in Mansfield? My parents' address is in New York. I live there for only two months out of the year. But I can run and vote in those elections. I personally think that

is wrong.

In New Paltz, NY, the students at the State University of New York at New Paltz fought for this exact cause. Jason West is a 26-year-old businessman who graduated from SUNY New Paltz and is now its mayor. Julia Wakh a student from SUNY New Paltz was elected to a town trustee position. This student and ex-student are making headway for future students in New Paltz. They are now opening up the rest of the town constituency and helping make New Paltz a better place for all to live in.

We as students need to fight for what we want. The Student Government Association makes rules every year and those rules and decisions directly affect us. The happenings down in town directly affect us as well, why aren't we helping to make those decisions?

If Mansfield University students were allowed to vote in the local elections, we might be able to help make the town more marketable. The public relations department, the admissions team, and the university as a whole have done a tremendous job over the past several years making Mansfield University more marketable and increasing enrollment. If we can help make Mansfield or Tioga County more marketable, would it not work out better for everyone? More business means more tax monies for the town. More residents means more diversity. The allowance of MU students to vote in local elections helps both the University and the town. I've never known any business owner who wasn't interested in earning more money. Nor have I ever known any resident who didn't want their kids to grow up in a beautiful little town with endless opportunities.

We as MU students need to start petitioning the Tioga County legislature, the state legislature and local governments to allow us the freedom to vote. We can research what is being done in different college towns such as New Paltz and use their guidance and plans to help us make where we live a better place. The Mansfield Borough offices are located at 13 East Wellsboro St. Mansfield, PA 16933. The Tioga County offices are located at 116-188 Main Street, Wellsboro, PA 16901. You can also write our state representative at 3 East Wing Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Sincerely,
Colin Coleman



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Men's basketball clicking in all ways

Mansfield starts season 4-0

By GREGORY PELLEGRINO
Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

The Mansfield University men's basketball season has been up and going for two weeks now and the team is starting off hot.

Prior to Thanksgiving holiday break the team took part in the Comfort Inn Tip Off Tournament where they first faced off against Holy Family College.

Right from the tip off the team showed their flashy and fast moving offense with an alley-oop pass from Bill McNeal to Omari Pearson. Despite not able to convert on the play, the duo made up for it later on in the game.

Mansfield's full court press on defense and quick transition play had Holy Family on their toes as

Mansfield took a commanding 58-40 lead at halftime behind a strong shooting performance from Brett Longpre' who scored a game high 32 points while converting on eight three-point shots.

During the second half of play the duo of McNeal and Pearson had the crowd on their feet with their flashy play and dunks that had the crowd of 869 be heard through out the campus.

The Mounties continued to roll in the second half as they went on to defeat Holy Family 101-80.

"People questioned if this much talent on one team can play together," coach Vince Alexander said. "Well, they can play together and when they do, great things

happen."

Great things did happen the following night as Mansfield rolled to a 87-79 victory over Bloomsfield College to win their second straight Comfort Inn Tip Off Tournament.

It was a team effort as six players for the Mounties finished in double figures. Pearson recorded his third straight double-double with a game high 19 points and 15 rebounds.

With the win Mansfield improved their record to 3-0 entering their game against Penn State Altoona on Nov. 25.

The Mounties offense continued to click as they defeated Penn State Altoona by 51 points in a non-conference game.

Pearson continued soaring on the offensive side of the ball with a game high 22 points along with nine rebounds. McNeal and Longpre' added 11 points each in the Mounties 84-32 win.

With the Mounties offense averaging 87.7 points a game, the defense has also been on a roll as well. Against Penn State Altoona, Mansfield held Penn State shooters to just 22 percent shooting from the field.

With the win over Penn State Altoona the Mounties improved to 4-0 on the season as Penn State Altoona falls to 0-2. Mansfield's next game is 7:30p.m. on Dec. 5 against Edinboro University and then travel to Clarion University on Dec. 6.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Omari Pearson has three double-doubles in four games.

This Week in Sports: The semester that was - '03

By JAMES SHAPPELL
Flashlight Sports Writer

It's here already. We've all completed yet another semester here at Mansfield, hopefully successfully for everyone. As we look ahead to yet another semester to come, or for some, the dreaded real world, don't forget to look back at the semester, and year, that was.

The sports world was just as full of surprises this year as ever, from the Mansfield University football team marching forward to eight wins (congratulations guys), to the Florida Marlins knocking of the New York Yankees in the World Series. Every step since January when the Ohio State Buckeyes downed the Miami Hurricanes, another twist and turn has awaited the sports world on our march toward 2004.

Just try to think back over the last 11 or so months to remember all that has happened, leading us to this Wednesday in December. The championships, the scandals, the arguments and the overwhelming joy of grown men and women rejoicing with tears after winning the ultimate prize within their respective sport.

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers

finally put it all together with new head coach Jon Gruden guiding the ship to dock on a Super Bowl Title, defeating the Oakland Raiders. At the same time we all enjoyed the LeBron James Show, we also got to see Carmelo Anthony lead the Syracuse Orangemen to an unexpected National Championship run.

James' fellow Ohio native, Maurice Clarett, of course helped the Buckeyes in their championship run, but then found himself in trouble not only with the NCAA, but with the law. Unfortunately, he would be forced to sit out a full season because of the complications.

In the NBA, we got to see the San Antonio Spurs, not the Los Angeles Lakers or Sacramento Kings, come out of the Western Division, to down the New Jersey Nets to take home hardware of their own. We also witnessed the fall of a legend, as Kobe Bryant's clean image was forever tarnished with the charges of felony sexual assault being brought against him. His fight in the courts will be as difficult as any battle he has ever waged on the court.

The one thing that didn't seem

to surprise anyone was the women's basketball team from the University of Connecticut. They were able to march through the NCAA Tournament to win yet another championship, despite a lot of youth and inexperience.

On a personal note, the race to the Triple Crown personally grabbed my attention this year, as Funny Cide made an effort to be the first horse to accomplish the feat since Affirmed did it in 1978. I was able to attend a Sports Journalism Seminar at Churchill Downs this past year, and have been interested in the sport ever since. However, Funny Cide came up a little short, finishing third in the Belmont Stakes, falling just the final leg of the three short of immortality.

As Funny Cide raced for the Triple Crown, our summer slowly started to race by us. Vacations and sunshine filled our lives, as did baseball. Despite threats of another players strike, which probably would have killed the game, the players did play on. The playoffs may have been one of the best we've ever seen, and the lead-up took us right into another season of football.

In college, we saw both Miami and Ohio State lose twice, meaning no National Title game, but the possibility of a repeat meeting is very good, while Oklahoma dominated the college scene. In the NFL, the Kansas City Chiefs showed their strength once again, driving toward the AFC West title. And let us not forget about the Bengals and their huge turn around.

We've come full circle, as it seems to happen every year. There were major injuries and major retirements, including those of Patrick Roy and Michael Jordan. Along with these we saw major scandals, via Bryant and Clarett. Drug testing is becoming heavier and heavier with each passing season in each sport, as our heroes continue to take strides toward being the best, sadly, some that are illegal.

So, now it's time for you to come full circle. Take a minute and just reflect on your past year. Was it happy? Did you enjoy it? Could next year be better? I'm not a self-help guru by any means, and I have enough of my own issues to resolve. The only thing I am recommending is to do what these athletes have

done. Yes, some of them have done some bad things, but what they continue to do is go out and do what they can each and every week and year, for themselves, their fans, their teammates and their families. We are all consequences of our own choices. Live each day of the new year to the best of your ability, and things will turn out just fine.

Finally, a special thanks to Jenn Nelson and Greg Pellegrino for giving me the opportunity to publish this feature each week. It gave me a real release for some of my thoughts and I enjoyed it thoroughly. And, to all the members of the *Flashlight*, especially the editors, congratulations on a great year, despite what anyone says. It's easy to be critical of someone when you are standing back from afar, but to put yourself out there each and every week, open to criticism and error is something that demands respect. Someday those who downplay your efforts will realize that. I strongly urge anyone who feels differently, to become involved, both professors and students.

Congratulations on another fine semester students of Mansfield, Happy Holidays to you and your families. We'll see you in January.

Mounties finish 5th overall at the IUP Invitational

By JONATHAN SCHWAB
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's swimming team finished fifth in the IUP Invitational from Nov. 21 to Nov. 23 at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Six schools participated in the invitational. IUP won the competition, finishing with 632 points. Mansfield completed the event with a total of 158 points. They placed ahead of Edinboro University, who scored 112 points.

Three swimmers qualified for the PSAC Championship with their performances at the Invitational. Sophomore Andrea Popovic qualified for the conference championship meet with a time of 19:15.83 in the 1650-yard freestyle on Nov. 23. Popovic was thrilled to qualify for the PSAC Championship.

"I was really excited to qualify, especially since it happened in my last event of the Invitational," Popovic said.

Senior co-captain Katie Houck recorded a time of 2:04.27 in the 200-yard freestyle on Nov. 22. Freshman Abbe Tipton also qualified with a time of 1:04.14 in the 100-yard backstroke.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Andrea Popovic qualified for the PSAC Championship at the invitational in the 1650-yard freestyle with a time of 19:15.83.

Freshman Daniella Borrelli came close to qualifying, as she swam the 100-yard fly in 1:05.41 and the 200-yard IM in 2:25.88. Popovic was pleased to see her two teammates qualify along with her.

"It felt great to have three of us qualify for the PSAC Championship," Popovic said. "The team put in a lot of work heading into

the IUP Invitational. Qualifying will encourage us to work even harder."

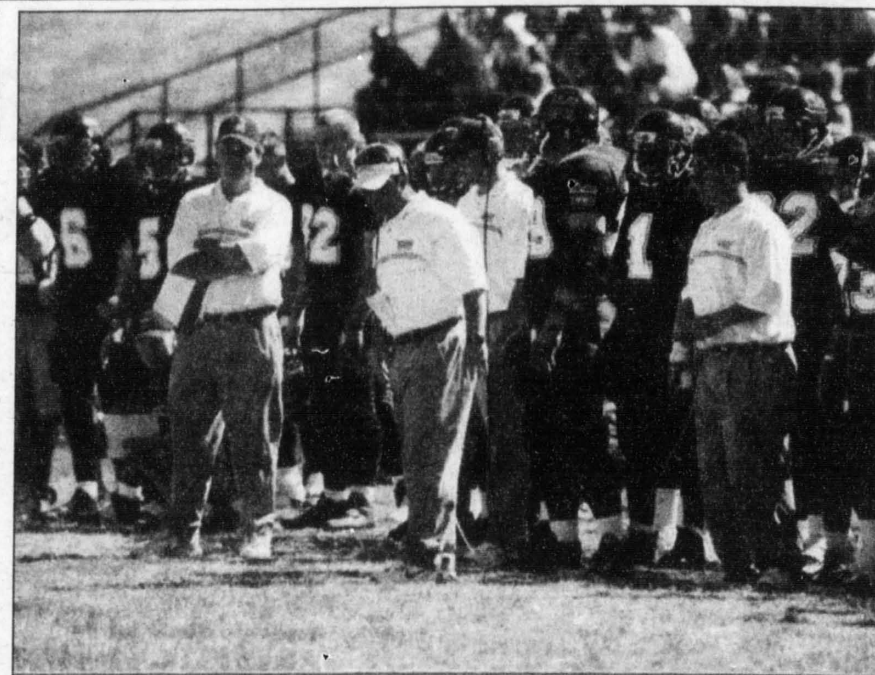
A couple of swimmers post personal bests for the Mountaineers. Freshman Eileen Spellman swam the 500-yard freestyle in 5:48.86. Sophomore Melissa Recchiuti recorded a time of 1:04.49 in the 100-yard freestyle.

Several Mounties also put up season best times. Houck's qualifying time in the 200-yard freestyle was eight seconds better than her previous season best. Fellow senior co-captain Kelly Coyle swam the 100-yard fly event in 1:09.88. Sophomore Kelsey Hogan recorded season bests with a time of 1:10.09 in the 100-yard backstroke and a time of 2:30.88 in the 200-yard backstroke. Sophomore Diana Daniel also posted a season best in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:34.62.

Freshman Jill Netterman and junior Renee Allington each recorded season bests in the 200-yard breaststroke. Netterman swam the race in 2:54.79 while Netterman finished the event with a time of 3:08.63. Spellman sees the progress and growth of the team as a positive heading into the second half of the season.

"We've really come together as a team in the first half of the season," Spellman said. "That should help us in the second half."

Mansfield hits the halfway point of the season with a 1-4 record. They return to action against Edinboro and Kutztown at 5 p. m. on Jan. 10 at Decker Gymnasium.



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mansfield Mountaineer football team finished the 2003 season with an 8-3 record.

Mansfield sweeps away PSAC post season awards

Mansfield University head football coach Chris Woods was named the PSAC Eastern Division Coach of the Year.

Woods is the first Mountaineer coach to earn Coach of the Year honors since Tom Elsasser in 1992. He is credited with developing the most improved program in the conference in his three seasons as head coach. This year Woods directed the Mountaineers to an 8-3 record, the programs most successful season since 1946 and their first winning season since 1975.

Along with Wood's being named coach of the year, Dan Holland repeated as Defensive Player of the Year and Earnest McNeal selected as Rookie of the Year in PSAC postseason honors.

Holland becomes the first player in school history to earn first team honors in each of his four seasons. Holland led the PSAC again this year with 136 tackles, including 81 solo. He also had 8.0 tackles for a loss two sacks and blocked three kicks.

McNeal set 12 new school records as a freshman. He led the conference in rushing with 1,684 yards (153.1 ypg) while leading the nation in All-Purpose Yardage with 2,392 yards (217.5 ypg). McNeal also set the school single-game record for rushing yards (272 vs. Millersville), rushing touchdowns

(five vs. Cheyney) and all-purpose yards (334 vs. Lock Haven).

"You have to be happy for Danny and Poohbear," coach Woods said. "Because they got what they deserved. They earned their awards by being the best players in the conference in what they do. It's gratifying to me that the other coaches in the PSAC feel the same way about their talent as we do."

The Mountaineers also had eight players earn All-PSAC East honors led by Holland, who became the first player in school history to be selected to first team honors four straight seasons. Also earning first team honors were McNeal, center Jamar Foulks, wide receiver Joe Bennett and nose guard Brian DeCecco.

Named to the second team were guard Chris Farris, tackle Ryan McClellan, and linebacker Andre' Turner. McNeal was also named to second team honors as punt returner.

"This should be called the football staff award," said a humble Woods. "It says more about them than it does me. We consider all of our individual awards as team awards because nobody is successful unless the team is successful. That goes for the Coach of the Year, Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and All-PSAC."

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Cummings named PSAC cross country rookie of the year for 2003 season

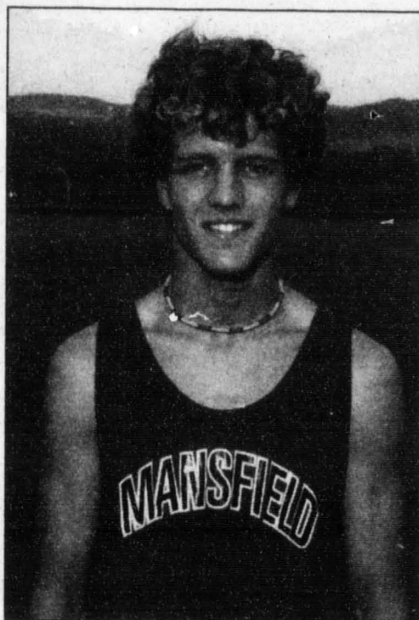
Freshman Chris Cummings was rewarded for his outstanding season by being selected the PSAC Cross-Country Male Rookie of the Year.

"It's a great and well deserved honor for Chris," head coach Michael Rohl said. "I truly believe this is just the beginning of what will prove to be an exceptional career for this outstanding young man."

Cummings had an exceptional first season, becoming one of the first two men in school history to earn all-regional honors.

He placed fourth at the conference meet and 11th in regional competition. His fourth-place finish (26:11) at the PSAC Championship was the highest for a freshman. Cummings finished among the top five runners in four out of six meets during the 2003 season.

He becomes the second Mansfield runner to earn PSAC



SPORTS INFORMATION
Chris Cummings is the second male Mountie cross country runner in school history to receive all-regional honors.

Rookie of the Year honors in the last two years. Charity Learn was named the PSAC Female Rookie of the Year last season

Pass go, collect \$200

By JENNIFER NELSON

Flashlight Sports Co-Editor

For the past two years and some months, I have been playing "Monopoly" with myself - but not the actual board game.

Being a sports writer and editor for a student newspaper, you really never know what you will write about or how it will go - Will the coach be mad at something you reported? Will the athlete be upset you interviewed someone else instead of them? I've rolled my dice and landed on many "streets of opportunity" building many bridges or "houses" on the way.

A lot of time, those "houses" would collapse. Sometimes I'd ask myself, "Do I really want to write anymore?" The answer (in a negative fashion) would be no. However, it's not really what I meant. Often times I would tell Greg-Pellegrino that I quit. It's funny looking back now at those times. He just laughed at me and said, "Don't sweat it kid, you always have tomorrow to work on it." But for anyone that knows me I like to have my work done ahead of time, usually.

This semester was different from the rest - good and bad. I dealt with writers who gave me nothing but a headache (which all I can do is just take it with stride because that happens in life). I also had writers that gave me nothing but the best, and I greatly appreciated it. It was times like these where I knew I had to roll the dice to get somewhere. I can't say I won the game or lost it because it's far from over.

The game started on September 12, 2001. My first ever article -

"Recreational sports begin next week". It's funny to read it now because a lot has changed since that time. I was just a timid freshman learning how to be a journalist, preparing to become something I thought too far out of reach. Then on August 24, 2002 I began writing as Sports Co-Editor. Greg and I created our own column - Hot Topic of the Week. Our first topic was a possible strike in the MLB. I knew at that moment I was ready to pass go and collect \$200.

And here I am today, December 3, 2003. I'm preparing to leave the sports desk and our sports writers. I'm not leaving the *Flashlight*, just stepping up for the time being. I've covered cross country, track and field and baseball for the Mansfield campus for two years. Each season surpassed the previous. I was able to report on the successes of the men and women's cross country teams. These athletes may be among the elite group of runners, but from reading the stats from the meets and talking with head coach Mike Rohl and the runners, the whole team is worthy of the same recognition.

I've watched both teams grow and better themselves. If anything, following these teams was one of my favorite experiences. The track and field team deserves praise too. I've seen them transform and show the PSAC that the Mounties show no mercy. Mountie baseball. Coach Harry Hillson and his guys do not need an introduction. When they stepped onto the field or in the batter's box, you knew the game would be great. I would like to thank all the runners and

baseball players who helped me piece together my articles with their feedback. The same goes for Coach Rohl and Coach Hillson. Whenever I needed their thoughts, they never hesitated to respond. All of the Mountie sports programs are outstanding in their own way. We have very dedicated coaches and athletes who not only lay each game like it's their last but also excel in the classroom. Nothing is more honorable than that.

This is my last semester for covering cross country and track and field. I'll miss writing about it, but I'll never stop cheering the teams on. After the spring season, I'll hand the baseball beat over to Michael Peters. Next semester, Michael will be in my shoes, and I know he will continue to do what Greg and I have worked really hard at.

I know I'll still get those feelings of frustration and that occasional headache as I replace Rachel Adams. Rachel was dedicated to this newspaper, and I won't let her down. I also know that Greg will be there to tell me "there's always tomorrow." If it weren't for him, I wouldn't be where I'm at today. We fought like little children a lot; sometimes we wouldn't speak to each other. Hey, it happens. We just laugh about it now. One thing that keeps me going is a quote from famous runner Prefontaine: "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift". A good friend of mine, Chad Woodruff, often told me to always give my best. I plan on doing just that.

A part of me will never leave the sports desk. The passion and "love of the game" is too strong to just hide away. So, I'll take down my pictures of Kobe Bryant and the sports schedules and let Greg have his wall back.

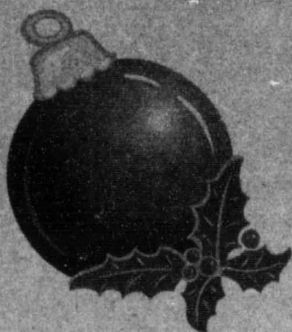
It may be just an empty wall, but we both know the true colors will remain. I'll never forget to stand up and cheer because I am proud to be a Mountaineer.

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Women defeat Bridgeport and Mt. Aloysius

By CHAD LANDERS

Flashlight Sports Writer

While Mansfield University students were home for Thanksgiving break, the Mountie women's basketball team was busy at work on the hard court.

The Mounties played four games over break, traveling to Connecticut to play Franklin Pierce, the University of Bridgeport, then back to Mansfield University to host Mount Aloysius College and then finished on the road at Lycoming College.

After winning their home opener against Lock Haven University 70-61, the Mounties took their 1-3 record into the Bridgeport Purple Knight Classic in Connecticut. The Mounties faced their first opponent Franklin Pierce at noon on Nov. 22.

The Mounties opened the game very sluggishly against Franklin Pierce, making only six shots out of the 31 they took. At halftime, the

Mounties trailed 36-16. The second half was a different story for the Mounties, as they outscored Franklin Pierce 33-23, but still couldn't pull off the win.

"We could have won our game against Franklin Pierce had we not shot 19 percent from the field in the first half of the game," head coach Ruth Henderson said. "We did come back to outscore them by ten in the second half, but we had dug too big of a hole in the first half of the game."

Senior guard Jessica Pfeiffer followed up her team high 19 point performance against Lock Haven with 13 points against Franklin Pierce.

Senior forward Rachel Rieder added nine points and eight rebounds for the Mounties. Junior center Alison Tagliaferri helped out with seven points and five rebounds for the Mounties in the loss. Danielle D'Ettorre of Franklin Pierce led all scorers with 14 points

and 11 rebounds in the win.

The Mountaineers fell to 1-4 overall before their next game against the University of Bridgeport. Next up for the Mounties was host University of Bridgeport at 5 p.m. on Nov. 23.

In their second game of the tournament, the Mounties' experienced players stepped up to earn an impressive 78-58 win. Rieder earned All-Tournament honors for the Mounties, scoring a game high 17 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

Rieder was one of three Mounties in double figure scoring. Pfeiffer added 15 points and six rebounds for the Mounties. Tagliaferri scored 14 points for the Mounties, hitting all eight of her free throw attempts.

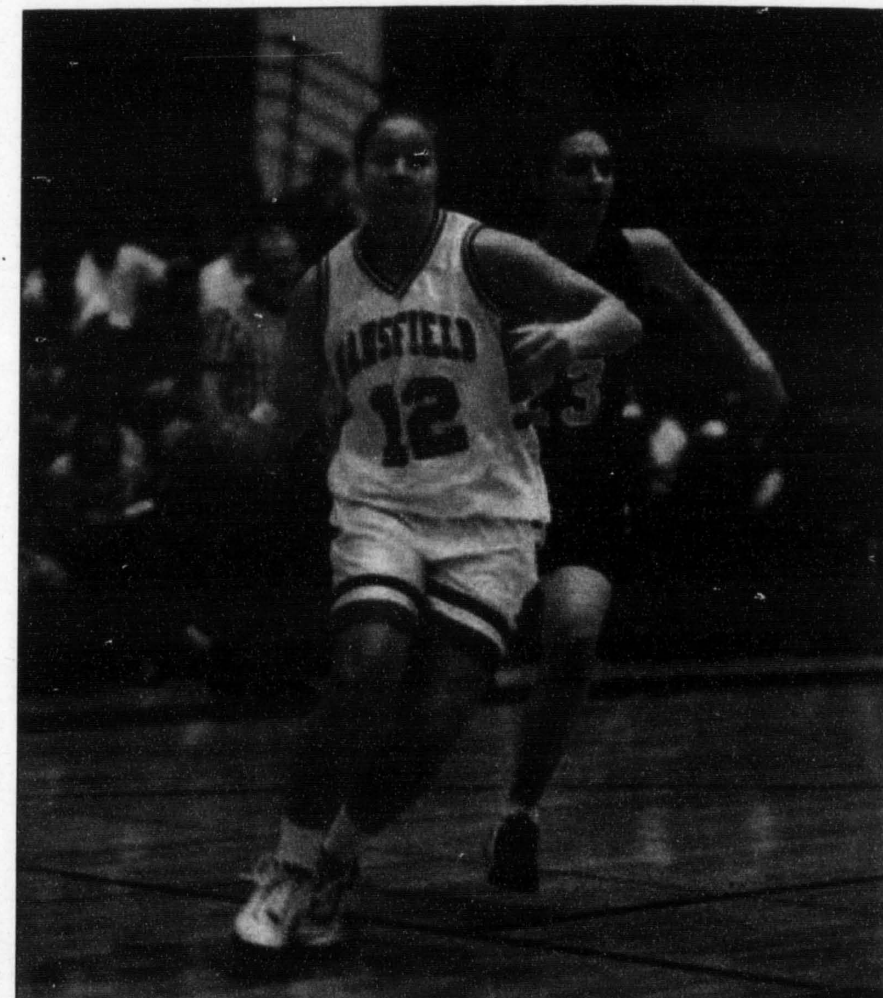
The Mounties dominated Bridgeport in almost every category, leading 30-20 at halftime. The Mounties made 26-34 free throws and out rebounded Bridgeport 42-33. The Mounties improved to 2-4 overall and Bridgeport fell to 1-1.

"On Sunday, Jessica and Rachel stepped up, but everyone contributed to the win," Henderson said. "I am proud of Rachel, but Jessica could also have easily made the All-Tournament Team with her performance."

The Mounties recorded a win over Mt. Aloysius, 86-54 at Decker Gym on Nov. 29. Tagliaferri took advantage of Mount Aloysius' lack of depth on the bench, scoring a game high 17 points. Freshman guard Jessica Uhrich paced the Mounties in the first half with 17 points of her own. Uhrich helped the Mounties to a 38-31 lead at halftime. Uhrich hit all seven shots she attempted and grabbed four rebounds.

In the second half, the Mounties used a 14-0 run in the first ten minutes to put the game out of reach. Tagliaferri hit seven of her 11 shot attempts, went perfect from the free throw line, grabbed five rebounds and two steals. Junior guard Stephanie Rieser and Pfeiffer added ten points each for the Mounties. The only bright spot for Mount Aloysius was Alissa Buchanan's game high 19 points and six rebounds.

"Our early victories can give us momentum and confidence to face



SPORTS INFORMATION

Jessica Pfeiffer scored 13 points against Franklin Pierce.

tough PSAC competition," Henderson said.

In their final game over break, the Mounties faced off at 2 p.m. on Nov. 30 at Lycoming College. Despite double-double from both Tagliaferri and Rieder, the Mounties still dropped a close game to Lycoming, 82-75.

Leading 45-33 at halftime, the Mounties seemed to have the game in control. However, the Mounties watched as Lycoming went 15 of 18 from the free throw line in the second half to rally. With only 1:39 left in the game, the Mountaineers held onto a 75-71 lead. After Tagliaferri's layup at 1:39, Lycoming made all eight of their remaining free throw attempts and forced four turnovers to snatch the win away from the Mounties.

Rieser led the Mounties with 13 points, while Rieder and Tagliaferri each recorded 12 points. Rieder grabbed 17 rebounds and Tagliaferri grabbed 12 rebounds of her own. Uhrich, the Mounties' freshman standout scored ten points of her own.

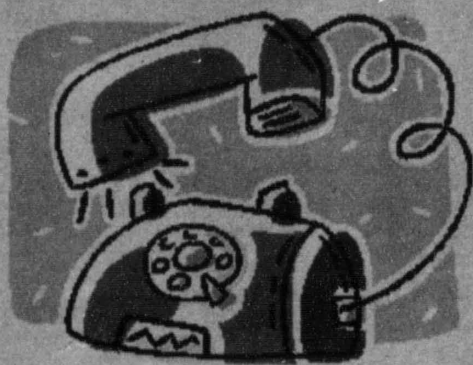
For Lycoming, Mindy Culp scored 17 points. Emily DiMarco scored 13 points and pulled in six

rebounds. Rebecca Pugh was three for nine from three-point range, scoring ten points for Lycoming, and had five assists.

The Mounties fell to 3-5 overall, while Lycoming improved to 3-1. As the Mounties continue on their long road trip, where they played six of their first eight games on the road, they will play at 7 p.m. on Dec. 2 at Houghton College.

"We still have areas to improve before we are ready for conference play," Henderson said. "This weekend I talked to the team about the importance of forgetting our mistakes. We have a tendency to linger on them, so we need to improve in this area if we want to be successful. We still have areas to improve before we are ready for conference play. This weekend I talked to the team about the importance of forgetting about mistakes. We need to recognize, accept, learn from, and then forget our mistakes. In general, we have a tendency to linger on the mistake, which causes more mistakes (ex: missed shots or turnovers). Improving as a team in this area is important to our improvement and success."

Thank you to all the Greeks who volunteered to call Mansfield Alums Nov. 17-21. for the *Mansfield Fund!* Your efforts were responsible for MU Alumni giving \$5,613 to the Mansfield Fund that will touch every aspect of student life at MU.



Wishing you a safe and happy holiday!

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Motley leads North in the East Coast Bowl

Travis Motley wanted another shot. The North quarterback had thrown a pass that Nelson Lee Johnson picked off five yards from a go-ahead score, and if the South hung on to win Saturday's East Coast Bowl, the loss would fall squarely on his shoulders.

Motley and the North squad got their chance at redemption with 2:17 left in regulation when Dan Woodard blocked a field goal attempt.

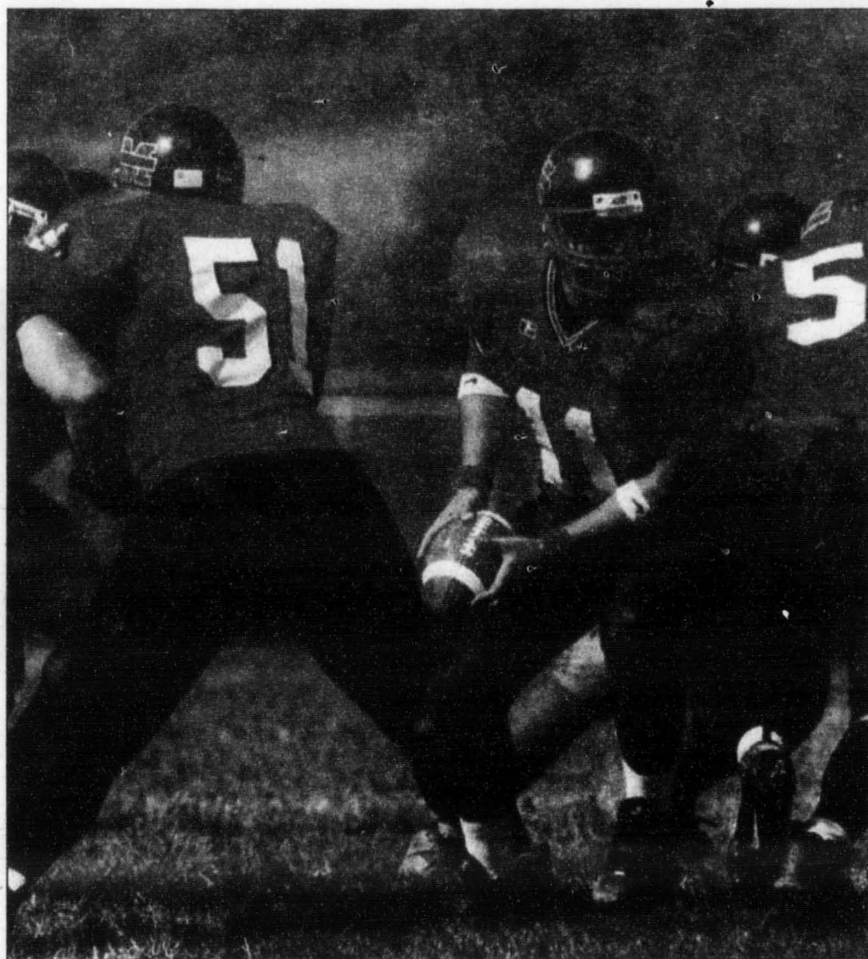
The Mansfield senior marched his team 74 yards down the field, hitting Hasan Jones with a 5-yard touchdown pass with 20 seconds left to lead the North to a 30-26 win in the third rendition of the small college all-star game at Cameron Field.

"It was crazy," Motley said. "I had to redeem myself. I wanted one more chance, and I capitalized."

Motley threw four passes for 61 yards during the drive - including a 38-yard strike to Hampden-Sydney's Conrad Singh with 37 seconds left to put the ball on the 5-yard line.

"It was a big drive," Singh said. Hee owns Old Dominion Athletic Conference records for yards and receptions in a career. "There was a lot of positives in the huddle. We were having fun and making plays."

Motley also gained nine yards on a keeper on fourth and three at the North 33-yard line.



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Travis Motley finished the 2003 season with 1950 yards passing along with 22 touchdowns.

"It was a little looser" than a regular season game, Motley said. "An all-star game you want to be fun. If it was the national championship game, you would have more mind blanks."

The South could have sealed the game on the interception with 6:12 left by Johnson, a Virginia Union senior and Zuni native.

The team moved to the North 25-yard line before stalling, setting up the Jonathan Clark kick that Woodard blocked.

The South got to the North 41-yard line with four seconds left, but Virginia State quarterback Kevin Jones' Hail Mary attempt was intercepted by James Lowe.

"We just came out and had fun," said Livingstone quarterback Joel Ward, who shared passing duties with Jones for the South. "I just wanted to show the people what I've got."

Among the people there were pro football scouts, looking for a possible diamond in the rough. 14 bowl participants have shown up on arena football 2 rosters, includ-

ing five for the Richmond Speed and four for the Greensboro Prowlers. The Speed's Richard Jarvis (North) and Prowlers' Steven Jerry (South) were coaches in this year's game.

The North started by scoring 13 points in 20 seconds during the first quarter, with their offense still on the sidelines.

Erie Williams returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown, and James Kostack grabbed a tipped Jones pass in mid-air and took it 26 yards to put the North up 13-0.

Nick Briley (VSU) scored the South's first touchdown on a 9-yard pass from Ward, and the team later rallied from down 16-7 to take its first lead of the game on a 2-yard run by Ward in the second quarter.

They then extended the edge to 26-17 when Jones hit Terry Meng for a 65-yard pass in the third quarter.

Singh scored on a 8-yard pass from Rodney Milbourne later in the third to start the North comeback.

PSAC Shorts

Men's Basketball - East Stroudsburg freshman guard, Naveen Mohiuddin averaged 11.0 points and 5.0 assists in two games last week as the Warriors went 1-1. Mohiuddin scored a season high points in ESU's win over the *Cheyney Wolves*. Mohiuddin shot 75 percent from the floor while going 5-5 from the free throw line.

Senior guard from *California University*, Ryan Stefanski led his team to an outright divisional title. The 6-2 guard averaged 21.0 points while *California* won both games. Stefanski scored 22 points in the Western Division showdown at *Edinboro*. Stefanski had a 53.6 field goal percentage, including 10-19 from three-point range.

Swimming - Freshman swimmer, Tatiana Patakyova recently set two school records. The *Lock Haven* swimming standout set a record by winning the 100 fly (58.79) at the Panther Collegiate Invitational and the 500 free (5:17:09) at the *Clarion* Last Chance Meet. Patakyova's time is the fourth best in the conference this season.

Men's Cross Country - *Lock Haven* is the first school to lead the pack across the finish line in 11 years, snapping an *Edinboro* win streak in the 2003 PSAC Cross Country Championships. Chris Cowan led Lock Haven, winning the race with a course record time of 25:17.

Women's Cross Country - *Indiana University of Pennsylvania's* freshman star, Mindy Sawtelle led from start to finish taking first-place at the 2003 PSAC Cross Country Championships on Saturday. Sawtelle finished the Bloomsburg course in a course-record time of 21:35. *Edinboro* finished with 57 points in their victory at the Championships. *Indiana* was second with 65 points and *East Stroudsburg* took third with 114 points.

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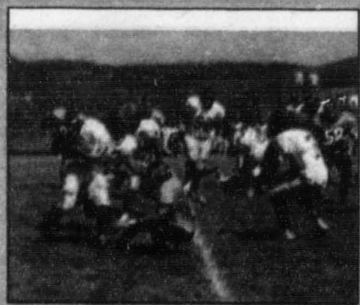
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Remembering Fall 2003

Making Steady Progress

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The fall 2003 season has come and gone. With it brought great moments and sad, however the fall was something very special to remember.

On Dec. 1 Mansfield honored what was the fall sports season. The evening started with the cheer-leading squad being honored. This year Angie Deluca was named Most Improved Player and Meg Ferraro was named the Most Valuable Player.

"It gets better and better each year," Dr. Maris said of the squad.

The next sport honored was the women's soccer team. This season was a first for the Mounties as they entered PSAC competition with big wins over Indiana University (Pa) and Clarion University. Overall the team finished the year with just four wins, but there is a positive look on the teams future.

"We're building a winning attitude," Coach Tim Dempsey said. "We need to take the intensity from the other PSAC teams and use it on

"The team worked extremely hard. Next year we will have a new challenge and that is that we won't be able to sneak up on anyone."

-Coach Chris Woods

our game and step it up. We built a nice base for the future."

For the season, sophomore Anna Rinella was named Most Improved Player and Desiree Boris was named as Most Valuable Player.

Following soccer was the football team just finished one of their best season in years. Coach Chris Woods described the season as 'interesting and great.'

This year the team named Jemar Faulks as Most Improved Offensive player and Andre Turner as Most Improved Defensive player. For the MVP the team named Earnest 'Poohbear' McNeal for Most Valuable Offensive player and Dan Holland as Most Valuable Defensive player.

"The team worked extremely hard," Woods said. "Next year we will have a new challenge and that is that we won't be able to sneak up on anyone."

In his third year as coach of the Cross Country team, coach Mike Rohl has put the team on the map around the PSAC.

With both the men and women improving in conference standings and having four runners named to the All-Conference team (Chris Cummings, Rachel Hall, Charity Learn, and Josh Wooten) the future looks bright for the cross country team.

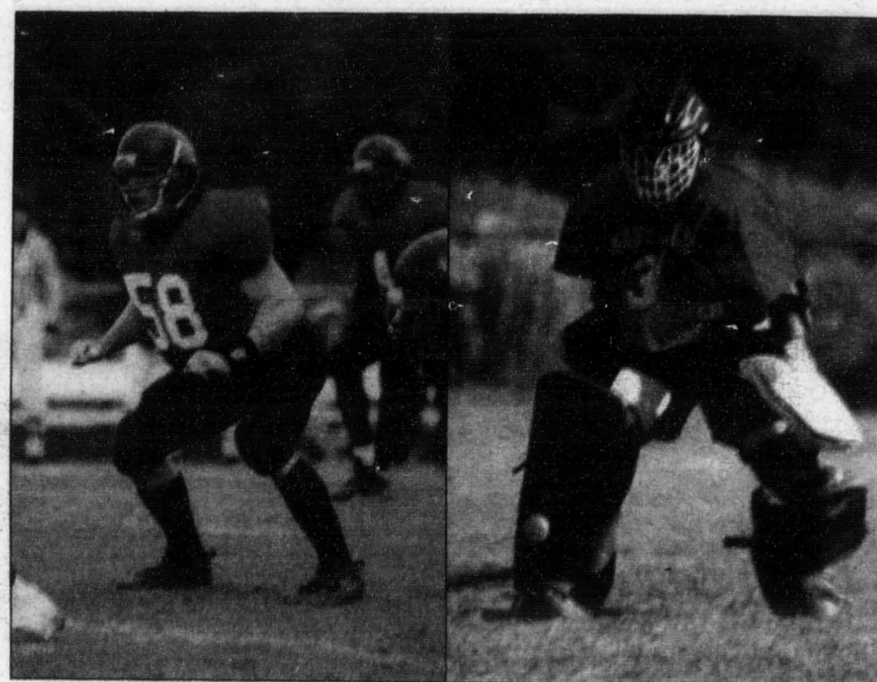
"This season has been very exciting," Rohl said. "There was a lot of positives this year."

The team named Ashley Tierney and Alex Bond as Most Improved Players and freshmen Rachel Hall and Chris Cummings as Most Valuable Runners.

The next team to be honored was the field hockey team. Despite not finishing with a winning record the team did finish on a positive note improving as the year went on.

"I'm proud of the team on how they kept plugging away and the character [the team] had this season," Coach Diane Monkiewicz said.

This season, sophomore Holly Frederickson was named as Most Improved Player and senior Heather Long was named as Most Valuable Player.



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Dan Holland (left) and Heather Long (right) were named Fall Athlete of the year for the 2003 fall season.

(Below) The Mansfield finished their first season with PSAC competition with key wins over Indiana University (Pa) and Clarion University.



SPORTS INFORMATION

The Mansfield University football team finished the 2003 season with an improved record of 8-3.



Finally, the evening ended with the announcement of fall athlete of the year. For the fourth straight year the male athlete of the year for the fall was senior Dan Holland. Holland who is up for the Harlon Hill Award. For the female fall athlete of the year field hockey's Heather Long was named to this

honor. This season Long broke the Division II single season saves record with 341 saves in goal this season.

With the fall season now over, Mansfield could look forward to the up and running winter season which should be just as exciting as the fall.